HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1887.

THE HONGKONG LAND COMMIS-SION'S INQUIRIES.

The series of questions issued by the Land Commission, which we reproduced in yesterday's issue, raise a large number of points of the most rital importance to the welfare of the colony. The time has arrived when the land question must be dealt with, and on the manner in which it is dealt with the future prosperity of the place will greatly depend. In the first place the question of titles has to be considered. The greatest confusion at present exists in this matter,

Questions sixty and sixty-one deal with the important subject of the redemption of Crown rents. The questions are as follows :—

Licenco, viz., Marine, Inland Farm, Rural Building, and Gardon Lot Leass and Squatters Linguist Do you consider as regards the Marine and Inland Lot Leases for 999 years and Rural Building Lot Leases for 75 years that advantages would accrue to the colony generally and the value of property become more assured if the Leassholders had the option of redeeming the Crown rents. These Crown rents vary very considerably, some properties paying more than one hundred times as much as other properties of equal value, and, unless something is done, this inequality will continue with respect to Leases for 999 years, practically, for ever. Is there any reason why this inequality should continue, and if not what do you consider a fair price for the Leaseholder to pay for its redemption? Would 20 years' purchase be too

61 -In your opinion would the opportunity of redeeming ground rents be taken advantage of to any The present yield of Crown rent is about \$170,000 per annum. Twenty years purchase would amount to \$3,400,000. In consideration of the very large re-

quirements for public works is there any reason why

this amount should not be raised? The idea of the redemption of the Crown rents is one which we hope will be combatted most strenuously. Nothing, we think, could be more economically false, as may readily be seen from the figures given in the sixty-first question. The present yield of Crown rent is about \$170,000 per anuum, and twenty years' purchase would amount to \$3,400,000. A public loan can be floated at 4 per cent., or at most 41 per cent. At the latter rate the interest on \$3,400,000 would amount to \$153,000. Allowing another 1 per cent, for a sinking fund, by which the loan would be paid off in fifty years, the interest would be \$170,000, or the same amount as the Crown rents. If the Crown rents be redeemed, at the end of fifty years the colony would be minus its revenue from this source without being in pessession of any equivalent advantage. What the proposal amounts to is really to exchange an annual revenue of \$170,000 in perpetuity for a saving of the trouble of collecting it and paying it away in interest for fifty years. As to the in-Crown rent into consideration in arranging the price, and there the matter ends. It causes no trouble to the Government, except when extensions are applied for and the inequality is introduced into the rent of one and the same holding, and even in these cases it cannot be very much; beyoud the saving of this slight amount of trouble in the Government departments no public advantage would be served by ee-

venue from Crown rents. Question 87 reads as follows:-

87.—In future sales of Crown Lands is there any have entirely lost its interest in the land, demoralised. If China is to have an efficient of the present decennial term. polists, who would be able to exact their own | thoroughly trained, and no civil official, | Treaties conferring upon China the terms in the shape of rent and would bear however great his influence, however intimate right to demand their revision? no part of the burden of taxation. In a his acquaintance with the classics, must be remembered that the Treaties births and deaths for the year 1886. small place like Hougkong, where land is be pitchforked into the command. Unfortun- were really the terms imposed upon a debeing taken up so rapidly, it is of the greatest ately for the efficiency of the public services, feated combatant, that they were naturally possible importance that the system of dis- the Chinese Government have uniformly dis- one-sided and contain concessions reluctantly posing of the land should be the best in the couraged the young men who have been made. This will account for the absence of public interest. To sell the land outright trained abroad. Instead of utilising these any stipulation in the revision chauses conwould be the best in the interests of capita- men in the positions for which their educa- ferring on China, the right to domand a relists who wished to buy it, but it would iton and training have fitted them, the Go- vision of the political provisions of the be disastrous to the interest generally of vernment have relegated them to subor- Treaties. The only reference to revision trade and of the community. Instead of dinate offices in departments where their contained in the British Treaty of Tientsiu sweeping away Crown rents, therefore, we talents and acquisitions are completely is embodied in Article XXVII. which reads would advocate their periodical readjustment, | thrown away. In fact, it is not too much as under :so that the colony should share with the to say that all Chinese who have come un- It is agreed that either of the High Contracting plied to land already disposed of, but with so far, on their return to China, been made on either side within six months after the end regard to that which still remains the Gov. viewed with ill-disguised distrust by the of the first ten years, then the Tariff shall remain in it can. The leases might contain a coven- vice or deprived of all chance of making end of each successive ten years. ant for the readjustment of the Crown rent their knowledge and experience of value to This confers on China the right to ask and Military Services. Government servents, Further consideration of the clause was then at intervals of fifty or seventy-five years ac- the State. The predecessor of the Marquis for a revision of the Tariff and Commercial Justices of the Peace, or special or common deferred. cording to a valuation of the land to be ar- Tanne in the post of Minister to England, Articles, but the reference is clearly limited Jurors. rived at on equitable principles, and with a the worthy Kwo Sung-rao, was promptly to the subjects so explicitly mentioned, and proviso giving liberal compensation for im- consigned to obscurity on his return to cannot, even by implication, we think, be viewed as the habler haids. Debing and the array for the Ordinance who shall have joined the Triad provements in the event of the holder being Peking, and the same fate may yet overtake construed to apply to the whole Treaty. The unwilling to pay an increased rental. Such a the Marquis himself if he continues to talk French Treaty of Tientsin contains a stiouform of lease would act in no way as a check much about China baving slept in " the lation in Article XXVII. that the Tariff on the improvement of land, though it would vacuous vortex of the storm of forces wildly " may be revised every seven years," and the naval and military officers." have an appreciable effect in reducing the whirling around her." upset price. The present loss from this Much of the foregoing applies with cause would, however, be made up many equal force to the administration of the percur des Français jugeat convenable d'apporter des effect your object. You wish to except the times over in the long run. We do not not | Chinese Army. Civil officials are allowed to modifications à quelques unes des clauses du présent marine. wish to be understood as advocating the interfere with and override the military tions avec le gouvernement Chine a presun intervalle "abolition of landlordism: " what rights officers, who are mossover regarded as an in- de dix années révolues, à partir de l'échange des have already been acquired must of course | ferior caste. The niv of the troops is contibe respected, but with regard to the Crown | nually in arrear and they are often defraud. This latter applies to the whole treaty, but lands still undisposed of the Government is ed of a large portion of the miserable pittance it certainly confers no rights of revision on they to carry arms. not only free to make the best contracts it due. There is no organised commissariat. China. Article XXXIV. of the American can, but is also bound to consider the in- transport, or medical service attached to Trenty of 1844 runs :tereste of future generations as well as those | the army, and as an inevitable consequence

of the present. crowding, it is certain that some means ency or necessity, the shocking indifference appointed to conduct such negotiation. of relief must be found, and that very to the waste of life which has ever character. Like the British Treaty of 'li ntsin this speedily. The construction of tramways to ised Chinese military operations. The army refers to the Commercial Article. The Ger-

build others as expensive elsewhere. It is very army and navy. The construction of certain vision of the tariff is specially secured. important, however, that the Praya should lines of railway is essential to any well de- It will thus be seen that in none of the days of the colony, the exact boundaries of stacle. Could not a middle course be adopted entirely upon water carriage for the trans- to China to demand a revision of the articles arms? We don't carry arms when we go about. which it is now in many cases absolutely im- with regard to the removal of the establish. port of their troops. But how could troops dealing with the residence and government possible to ascertain. Without entering into ments which would be to the advantage of be conveyed in transports if the coast were of foreign subjects in China. There is, how- a gun. the legal technicalities of the subject, we all parties? The Military require more room, rigorously blockaded by a strong squadron ever, nothing to prevent her putting forward may at once express our decided opinion—an and when the Garrison is increased will have of fast cruisers? How, again, could troops the demand. But will it be entertained? It some of the American cities. This, however, necessary to enter at present. The import-Praya, for the narrow Queen's-road i much too small an artery for the traffic which ought to exist between east and west, and would exist if it were afforded facilities. Other useful measures to relieve the over-

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crowding may be devised, but the first and

most important point is to render the eastern

district readily accessible from the west

Even with the present inconveniences o

communication the population is flowing i

that direction and sents are advancing in

In his paper on "China : the Sleep and the Awakening." the Marquis Tsend, with perhaps pardonable exultation, is sanguine competition and jealous emulation, upon the shough to believe that the awakening has have napping in order that she may win the come. He instances what has been done in the direction of coset defence and the formation of a navy as proof of the fact, and then goes on to remark that China will proceed steadily THE MARQUIS TSENG AND THE with the organisation of the army and navy " without, for the present, directing her attention either to the introduction of railways, tablishing equality at the expense of the re-

tion of the military and naval establishments, may be engaged. The fighting material of the several ports of China open to foreign communo the connection of the eastern and western may be plentiful shough in the eighteen able modifications are requisite in those parts which

opinion which we believe is entertained also to secure it. The course we would suggest be effectively moved to the northwest provin- is true that she can quote Article XVIII. of it very high quarters—that a clean sweep is to remove the Nival Yard to Kowloon, should be made of all the present titles, and give the Military the land the present | Mahomedan host? If an enemy suddenly declaim, which is as follows:—

The clause was amended by substituting the her Treaty with Peru in support of such a words "naval and military officers for Her Mahomedan host? If an enemy suddenly declaim, which is as follows:—

[jesty's "etc.] new ones, based on a new and complete survey, Naval Yard occupies, exacting in return cided to effect alanding, say at Chefoo, it would be issued. Then comes the question of the a surrender of all exclusive rights to be impossible to send troops thither in time modification of any stipulation contained in this transfer of titles. The general opinion as the foreshore. The Prays junction could to prevent it, but if that port were connected to this will no doubt be that all antiquated then be carried out, and ready access by railway with Tientsin this might in the fications of this Treaty, to open negotiations to that and cumbrous legal formalities should be would be afforded to the eastern district, ordinary course be readily accomplished. In effect. Six months before the expiration of the ten and cumorous legal tormatities should be would be suited to the eastern district, done away with and the sale and transfer of which would then speedily develop and landed property be made as simple as the relieve the overcrowding in the western sale and transfer of property of any other part of the town. A tramway would can be conveyed except at a snail's pace and very soon run along the whole extent of on the backs of coolies, railways to connect the water frontage of Victoria, whether it was the great contres of population are of excepextended to the villages or not. In order not tional importance from a military and strato interfere with the carriage of goods across tegic point of view. Even the prejudiced | mandarinate were brought to see this during 60.—Crown rents are reserved by every Lesse and to adopt the overhead system of rails, as in the Franco-Chinese hostilities, but with the thither, and it is hardly likely that the great is a question of detail into which it is not of reaction against the innovation, and the The Chinese Government will probably cire introduction of the iron way has again been ant point is to obtain the continuous postponed indefinitely. The work of coast defence and the increase and improvement Jepan stands on an entirely different footing of the navy is still going on, it is true, in a

leisurely way, but progress in other directions is slow indeed. The long slumber of the ancient empire may be over, the trance of centuries may be concluded, but is there no danger of the hoary giantess falling into a new torpor from which she can only be Is not the concluding sentence of the Marquis's eloquent declaration only too characteristic of his nation, wherein he says : - The world is not so near its end that she need hurry, nor the circles of the sun so nearly done that she will not have time to play the rôle assigned her in the work of nations"? Is this an age in which a processfinating policy can be successfully pursued: can the tortoise count, in these days of keen

REVISION OF THE TREATIES. or to any of the other subjects of internal Marquis Tanna's recent remarkable political fear that there is little chance of their being economy which, under the altered circum- pronunciamento is contained in the closing realised for many years to come. If the wast believe a great number of guilds of all sorts and stances of the times, may be necessary, and paragraphs, which deal with China's re- body of official dom in the Central Kingdom | descriptions in the colony. which she feels to be necessary; for, unlike lations with Western Powers. He says that were as enlightened as himself it would be a Turkey, she will not fall into the mistake of while any soreness which China may have different thing, but while corruption and these societies ay be registered. We might have thinking that when she has got a few ships experienced on account of events in 1860 has venality reign in every department of the and a few soldiers licked into form, she has been healed over and forgotten long ago, it public service, while the administration of done all that is required to maintain ber is otherwise with the treaties which were justice is too often a mere burlesque, while position in the race of nations." This may then imposed upon her. That those were her prisons are noisome dens in which poor ing once a year, and sometimes an extraordinary be sound policy, but it is not enough if it be imposed upon China must be admitted; she wretches are left to rot untried, and while tor- meeting. desired to place the nation in a position to did not propose the terms; as the defeated | ture and barbaric cruelty disgrace her criminal | The CHIEF JUSTICE-But the meetings are repel attack. Much has been done; the party she was fain to accept the conditions code, so long will civilised states refuse, at not open to the public generally. count defences have been strengthened; the of the conquerors. But the Marquis any cost, to place their subjects or citizens navy is gradually assuming quite important intimates that these treaties gall Chinese under Chinese jurisdiction. The time will the sixtieth question, we fail to see that they dimensions; a large proportion of the troops susceptibilities, and says that China cannot come, of course, when China will obtain the meetings or not open ordinarily. in any way affect the principle. The buyers is now fairly armed. It is, however, little continue to lie out of the sovereign rights concession, and "play the rôle assigned her Hon. Word Shine said the Chinese mergood acquiring costly ships, if the first con- she has been compelled to surrender by the in the work of nations," but if her statesmen chants, experters and importers, had guilds. sideration on the breaking out of bostilities Treaties. He goes on to remark :- "In the see no reason to harry on reforms in the be a place of security in which to hide them alienation of sovereign dominion over that administration of justice, neither will the guild, Mr. Wong Sking, has it not? from the enemy. It is notorious that the part of her territory comprised in foreign Treaty Powers see reason to hasten the time Pei-yang Squadron systematically kept out settlements at the treaty ports, as well as in for the revision of the Treaties. of the way during the Franco-Chinese war, some other respects. China feels that the and we know on good authority the main treaties impose on her a condition of things object of the native officers and crews was which, in order to avoid the evils they have | HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to keep out of sight of the French vessels. | lod to in other countries, will oblige her to The mere possession of a fleet will prove of denounce these treaties on the expiry of the little advantage in time of war unless it is present deconnial period. China is not Council was held on the 18th February. There manned by fighting men. The system under ignorant of the difficulties in which this were present :which the Chinese Navy is officered is action may involve her, but she is resolved eadentially had, and so long as it is possible to face them, rather than incur the cerfor an ignorant land-in bber to purchase a tainty of some day having to encounter be charged, or is it advisable that the value of the command, as is now the case, it is impossible greater ones; evils similar to those which Crown Rent should be considered in the upset price? that efficiency or discipline can ever be at | have led to the Land of the Fellah concern-The same principle applies here. To include | tained. Of course on board the vessels under | ing nobody so little as the Khedive." It will the Crown rent in the upset price would se- the command of foreign officers, where suffi- be noted that in the foregoing is a distinct cure a larger lump sum at the moment, but | cient power is given them, discipline can be announcement that China will in 1888 dein the long run the colony would be the loser. | maintained and the crew will no doubt in | mand a revision of the Treaties. The Mar-The amount of building land in the island | time acquire a knowledge both of seaman- | quis adds in conclusion :- "In her efforts to is very limited, and the time will arrive ship and gunnery. But the services of eliminate from the treaties such articles as when the Government will practically have foreign instructors are too often capricious- impede her development, and wound her just no more ground to sell. When that time ar- ly dispensed with before half their work is susceptibilities, without conferring on the rives, if Crown rents are done away with the | done, a mandarin unacquainted with the first | other contracting parties any real advantages, colony will be minus the whole of its land | rudiments of navigation or science gets the China will surely proceed to diplomatic acrevenue, and the amount will have to be command, and in an incredibly short period tion." Here then we have due notice that raised from other sources. The Crown-in discipline ceases, compation commences, the the Chinese Government intend to ask for other words, the community as a whole-would officers grow careless, and the crew become the abolition of extra-territoriality at the end which would be in the hands of a few mono- navy every officer appointed to it must be But is there any provision in the

landowner the advantage of the unearned der foreign influence of any sort or had Parties to this Treaty may demand a further revision of the Tariff, and of the Commercial Articles of this increment. Such a system could not be ap- any experience in foreign countries have Treaty, at the end of ten years; but if no demand be ernment is bound to make the best bargain Authorities, and either kept back in the serthe preceding ten years; and so it shall be, at the hon, gentleman were:—" Provided this section

first clause of Article XL, reads :--Si dorónavant le gouvernement de Sa Majesté l'Emtraité, il sera libre d'ouvrir à cet effet des négocia-

The questions of over-crowding, the loca- misery in any campaign in which they outgrave cause; but, inasmuch as the circumstances are different, experience may show that inconsider are all raised in the interrogatories issued available to take the place of those who fall two governments will, at the expiration of twelve an armed picket is sent ashore? I saw one the by the Land Commission. As to over- will not justify, on grounds either of expediation of the date of said Convention, treat amigably other day.

this direction, and the lines would very soon it is the practice to suddenly disband the lation as the French Treaty of 1860, and the pay intere t on the capital invested. The men without providing them with the means revision clause of the Swedish Treaty is in removal of the naval and military establish. to enable them to return to their own pro- the same terms as the American Treaty; the removal of the naval and military establish. to enable them to return to their own pro- the same terms as the American Treaty; the petty officers landed armed with some men from a much money. You ments would afford more room in the central vinces and resume their old occupations, or Danish, Italian, and Austrian Treaties follow French vessel. There was a great commetted that the consideration of the clause should be value of \$1,562-10 f of the town, but the cost would be enormous, giving them a pension in case of disablement, the British Treaty of Tientsin, with a stipuand more than the Colony could convenient. Nor can we agree that it is true wisdom for lation in the two latter that, in the event of ly bear, at present at all events. The exist. the Chinese Government to postpone the con- any revision of the Tariff, they shall have the They should not have side arms and they had ing barracks are worth a very large sum, struction of railways even looked at from the right to participate in the negociations for side arms. and they would be almost useless for other narrow ground of the priority in importance the same. The Dutch Treaty of 1863 conpurposes. The Colony would thus lose the of coast defence. This work should pro- tains a separate article in which this right your way to exempt officers of the mercantile of 1875" passed through committee. value of the present buildings and have to ceed part passu with the organisation of the to take part in the negociations for any re-

be made continuous, and hitherto the Naval signed scheme of coast and internal defence. Treaties with the European Powers or the to the various local companies? and Military Authorities have been the ob. At present the Chinese Government rely United States is the right formally conceded

> Treaty, they shall be at liberty, after the lapse of ten years, dated from the day of the exchange of the rati.

obtain from the Peking Government formal permission for Chinese subjects to emigrate tice that at the next meeting he would move that vis a vis Western States. Her treaties are as will be seen by reference to Article XXII. It is agreed that either of the High Contracting

awakened, by another clarion note of war? bandre land seventy-two, with a view to the insertion thereof of such amondments as experience shall prove Japan vielded to Western pressure with tions between her and the Treaty Powers ponement. have not been embittered by acts of treachery i such as led to the last China War. Tho Japanese Government have, too, laboured assiduously and perseveringly to bring Japa-

nese institutions and procedure into harmony

Parties to this Treaty, on giving one year's previous

eg the abolition of extra-territoriality they l equal and similar to those given by one Eu- members of the Triad Society and other secret. ropean State to another. Is China in a societies. position to do the same, and could the Western Powers rely up n her pledges? W sympathise most sincerely with the patriofic The most important declaration in the aspirations of the Marquis Tarne, but we

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative gistering, is it not? His EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR,

HON. W. H. MARSH, C.M.G. Hoz. Sir GEORGE PHILLIPPO, Chief Justice. Hou. F. Stewart, Acting Colonial Secretary Hon. E.J. ACKROYD, Acting Attorney-General Hon. A. LISTER. Colonial Treasurer. Hon. P. RYRIE. Hon. Wong Shino. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN. Hon, J. BELL-IBVING.

Mr. A. SETH, Clerk of Councils. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting were read

Hon. C. P. CHATEB.

A minute by His Excellency the Acting Governor, recommending a vote of \$1,800 for the payment of six foremen of street cleansing

was referred to the Finance Committee. VITAL STATISTICS. The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table the Registrar-General's returns of

THE PREVENTION OF CRIMES BILL. The Acting Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the more effectual prevention of crime." His EXCELLENCY—This is an Ordinance for the supervision of discharged prisoners ! The Acting Attorney-General-Yes, for police supervision.

The Bill was read a first time. THE ARMS BILL.

The Council resumed consideration in committee of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to regulate the carrying and possession of arms." The ACTING ACTORNEY-GENERAL moved an addition to section 3. The section provides a penalty for carrying arms without reasonable excuse. The words proposed to be added by the shall not apply to officers in 'er Majesty's Naval would not come within the definition clause. Hon. A. P. MACHWEN-Is it necessary to sidered as coming within the provisions or intent

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I think designs or under the influence of terror. so. The Bill otherwise applies to every one. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-I would suggest "all | had better be omitted. Everyone accused would 'The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-"All naval and military officers" I think would not

Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-No; officers of foreign powers. The Acting Attorney-General.—The four he joined. question is whether foreign officers should be exempt. The question arises, what need have sertion of the words " who shall show to the His Excellency—When they come ashore

to pay official visits they carry arms. The Acting Attorney-General-That the army, and as an inevitable consequence finitively concluded, it shall be obligatory on both would be sufficient excuse. It would be part of law. powers, and its provisions shall not be altered with their uniform. His Excellency—I don't see why you should not say "naval and military officers," leaving out the words "Her Majesty's." Hon. P. RYRIE-Is it a reasonable excuse i

His Excellency—Not from a foreign vessel Hon. P. Ryale-I have seen a picket from a Spanish man-of-war Shaukiwan and Aberdeen would operate in | will, moreover, never be popular so long as | man Treaty of 1861 contains the same stipu- | protest immediately.

see them. I amuch surprised. His Expense Nov-I know in Mauritius some | cused and the matter was referred home.

Hon. P. RYRIE-That is what I object to. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-Could you not see doubts as to the application of Ordinance No. 2 His Excellency—I don't think they ought

Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-But officers belonging His Excellency—But why should they have Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-But you might have

His Excellency—But he would have it on board ship. The law would not interfere with him while he had it on board ship. The clause was amended by substituting the

ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL, by substituting the Registrar-General'sofficens the place at which dealers in arms are required to register for the Central Police Station. An amendment would adjourn until next Friday week. was also made in clause 9 by substituting the those return shall show "the number and des-This treaty was, however, made on terms of cription of arms remaining in their possession equality in 1874 by a small state desiring to on the last day of the preceding month," instead of "all arms imported or bought by them." The Acting Attorney-General gave no-

the Bill be read a third time. THE PROTECTION OF YOUNG GIRLS. the case of Jupiu, which country is now ne The Acting Attorney-General said the gotiating the revision of her Treaties. But | next order was to go into committee on the Bill

entitled "An Ordinance for the better protection and E. S. Whealler. of young girls." Hon. P. RYRIE said the unofficial members based on somewhat more favourable grounds, had had the proposed amondments in their hands only since the previous day and they of the British Treaty of 1858, which reads :- | had not had time to consider them. He would propose, therefore, that the consideration of the Bill in committee be postpoued until the next

notice to the other, may demand a revision thereo; meeting. on or after the first of July, one thousand eight | . His EXCELLENCY asked the Acting Attorney-General if he had any objection to the proposition. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL said he had not. He laid the amendments on the table last: week and had hoped they could have been circubetter grace than did China, and the related sooner. He had no objection to the post-

The order was postponed accordingly. THE TRIAD SOCIETY BILL.

The Council went into committee on the Bill eutitled "An Ordinance for the suppression of the Triad Society and other secret societies and with those of Western States, and in demand- for the punishment of the members thereof." Clause 2 declares the Triad Society illegal offer guarantees and promise concessions and provides penalties for the managers and

> The CHIEF JUSTICE -- What is a secret society?" The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I suppose it is a society that does not publicly announce its meetings or that is a secret society. 'The CHIEF JUSTICE-Any society not open | Dividend account, unpaid to the public is a secret society and there are I

> The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-Well. HIS EXCELLINEY-Would the Chamber of Cash on hand Commerce not be a secret society? Hon. P. RYRIE-No; we have a public meet. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, current

Hon. P. RYRIE-On some occasions we in-ENCY-You "invite," but the The CHIEF JUSTICE—Freely trade has a

Hon. Wong Shing-Yes. The CHIEF JUSTICE-The trouble is then, as it seems to me, that supposing the Police were to see a number of Chinese meeting together in some place or other, they could not know whether it was a secret society or not. HIS EXCELLENCY—But that is done by re The CHIEF JUSTICE-But the thing is to

society here. The Acting Attorney-General-There was a definition in the Ordinance which would home in 1854. That might be inserted. Ordinances 1 and 12 of 1845 did not give any de-

Hon. J. BELL-IRVING-Could you not insert after the words "The Triad Society and other secret societies" the words " of that nature?" The CHIEF JUSTICE—But then we don't know what the nature of a secret society is. His Excellency-I think the best way

would be to have a definition clause. The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL—Yes, I will prepare one for the next meeting. Hon. P. RYEE-Could not you insert the words "dangerous to the peace and good order of society.'

The Acting Attorney-General-But them you could not declare a society dangerous until you knew what it was. Clause 2 was then passed on the understanding that a definition clause would be introduced. In clause 7, which provides a penalty for at-

tending unlawful assemblies, the words "ou summary conviction" were inserted in place of the words "on conviction in the Supreme ourt' A similar alteration was made in clause 8. Clause 9, which gave a definiti n of the word "member of a society," was struck out, the CHICF JUSTICE stating that the definition should be included in the definition clause. Hon. P. Ryrie moved as an amendment to

clause 11, which provides that the Ordinance shall not apply to any duly constituted Masonic Lodge, the addition of the words "or Lodge of Good Templars, Foresters, or any other society the meeting of which would not be nulawful in Great Britain. His EXCELLENCY-I think we had better let this clause be deferred.

The CRIEF JUSTICE-Yas, " would be better to defer it until we see what is declared to be an unlawful assembly in the definition clause. It is possible the societies mentioned by Mr. Ryris Clause 12 provides that no person shall be con-

Hon. P. RYRIE said he thought this clause say he had joined under the influence of terror. Hon. Wong Shing said a great many Chinery joined the Triad Society through fear. The Acting Attorney-General said the

clause was taken from Ordinance 12 of 1815. The CHIEF JUSTICE said be supposed there was no one who would not say it was through The Colon al Treasurer suggested the insatisfaction of the court."

The CHIEF JUSTICE-The question is whether, if the society is as dangerous as it is said to be. they would not dread the society more than the The ACTING. COLONIAL SECRETARY-I Was speaking to a Chinaman the other day who is very much opposed to the Triads, but, he said,

"suppose I happened to be seized by any of these

dered. Of course I would join the society." Hop. P. Ryrie-I move that this clause be struck out. Perhaps another clause might be His Excellency—That would be a cause of framed which would meet the same object. His Excellence. -I think the clause must about the same at the end of every month.

it throwing the onus probandi on the person ac- month, but there are others which run on. postponed, which was assented to.

BILL ADVANCED. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to remove | want to get at. -

Hon. P. Evers said that as the Races would accupy a great part of next week he would move | not really worth \$33.00).

that the Council be adjourned to that day fort-His Excellency said he was going to ask ought to give us a little larger dividend. the members if they could meet to-day for the consideration of the jury list. Monday would think a little bit you would very soon see it. be mail day, on Tuesday the Chief Justice would It was then decided to meet this afternoon at to run the concorn with.

three o'clock. Hon. P. Rynra gave notice that he would posit account. again propose his motion this afternoon. His EXCELLENCY said the hon member's motion would be accepted as a matter of course. After the meeting for the jury list the Council

HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY

The annual meeting of the shareholders in this company was held at the office of the General and then esthey come in we have to buy flour, &c. Manager, Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., Hong- Mr. VAUCHER-I see you have no loss than kong, on the 18th February, some delay being \$1,562 for stock in hand. occasioned by the difficulty experienced in getting a quorum together. The chair was taken by Mr. H. Crawford, the other shareholders prosent being Captain T. T. Benning, Messrs. D. cCalloch, W. Legge, E. George, A. E. Vancher,

The following is the

The general managers have the pleasure to submit o the sharoholders the usual statement of accounts for the year ending December last The business done does not equal that of the Inst | meeting if there are no more questions to be wo years, the result also has been less profitable, still | naked. he general managers hope it will be satisfactory to the skarsholders The net profit on the working account for this year s \$2.916.16 and the balance at profit and loss account The goneral managers recommend that a dividend of 10 per cent, be declared absorbing \$3,000, and that the balance of \$511.58 be carried to no account.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE. The Consulting Committee,—Messra. T. T. Bouning, E. L. Woodin, J. D. Hutchison, H. Foss, and D. Me-Calloch—retire in accordance with the Articles of Association and are eligible for re-election-

The plant and machinery of the Company are in

The accounts have been audited by Mr. E. Whonller, who may be re-elected. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.. General Managors.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1887. BALANCE SHEET- \ LIABILITIES. Capital account.....

Lane, Crawford & Co., commission \$17,500.00 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, deposit Insurance unexpired Outstan ling accounts, 1680 Outstanding accounts, 1884 Outstanding accounts, 1885 O detan ing accounts, 1886 WOEKING ACCOUNT. Salarius account

Profit and loss to strike at. There is no definition of secret Interest account PROBIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Outstanding accounts, 1882 Outstanding accounts, 1883 Outstanding accounts, 1884 Jutetanding accounts, 1880 Real estate depreciation Balance...... Balance from last year.....

Taxes account

Stock account.....

Insurance account.....

Commission account

The notice of the meeting having been read, it as read. There is not much to add to what is pay cash for their bread; perhaps not for six stated in the report. The Directors are very sorry that there is only a ten per cent. dividend for the past year, as against 2 and 16 we have at all. had in former years; it is a heavy falling off. Mr. George-But they were exceptional

have had in former years. Mr. VAUCHER—Contracts.

Mr. George—Competition has not increased, has it P The CHAIRMAN-No, I do not think it has, but we have missed the outside work. Mr. VAUCHER—Shipping contracts ?

The CHAIRMAN-Yes. Mr. GEORGE-Is there any increase in con. D. McCulloch, who ratire from the consulting sumption? The HAIRMAN-There has been some in-

crease, butlowing to the decrease in the prices charged it has not enabled us to add anything resigns wing to his leaving for home shortly. Mr. VAUCHER-There are three little ac-

counts—88 cents outstanding from .880, \$30.13 from 1884, and \$214.72 from 1855. I should re- Mr. Whealler as auditor. commend that steps be taken at once to settle these matters one way or the other, and if the amounts cannot be obtained they should be writ-

The CHAIRMAN-They would have been write to-morrow. ten off if they had not been perfectly good. There are people whose pay is always good who are long winded. This small 88 cents carried over from 1880 would have been written off if it had not been perfectly good. Mr. VAUCHER-But such a small amount as 88 cents; he will surely pay that. Soud him

down 20 cents, and he will send you back a dollar. If not it will surely be better to write it off. There is another question I should like to ask. I see among our assets you have \$5.9 3.61 for each in hand, \$4,000 in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on deposit, \$986 in the Bank on current account, dutstanding accounts for last year \$3,122.58, that will come in easily. This brings up a total of about \$14,000. I think, with all that capital, though we have earned so little, The CHAIRMAN-We cannot give you a better

we could have had a better dividend than this. lividend than we have made; you see that actually we have not earned quite enough to pay the ten per cent. dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-But what are you keeping this money for P

have to pay \$3,000 for the dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-But then you have over \$3,900 for outstanding accounts. The CHAIRMAN-That is always outstanding

Hon. P. Typie-Well, I am quite sure I did | be maintained, but you might add something to | We collect some accounts at the end of every Mr. VAUCHER-Anyhow we are keeping too The Acting Attorney-General suggested much money. You have stock in hand to the

The Charleman - Yes, that is what our stock is valued at. Mr. LEGRE-I should like to know what you · Mr. VAUCHER-I want to know why we have so much money doing nothing.

The CHARMAN-So much out at five per cent. When the Company took the business over the assets were really overvalued, they are

Mr. VAUCHER-Well reduce it then. Anyhow I say there is too much money, and you Mr. Legge-Certainly not; and if you were to be mail day, on Tuesday the Chief Justice would The CHAIRMAN—If you take off the amount not be here, and there was no other day that he that is to be paid for dividend from the cash in hand you will see that there is only \$2,980 left Mr. VAUCHER-But there is the \$4,000 de-

> Mr. LEDGE—That cannot be touched. Mr. VAUCHER-Why not?

Mr. Lugar-Boomse it is on fixed deposit, We cannot touch that fixed deposit in the Bane. Mr. CCULLOCH-You have to take the amount of the dividend from the cash on hand; and you have also reckened in the outstanding accounts for last year. The CHAIRMAN-We can only collect that as we go along, and we have to spend money to re-

place it as we do so At the end of the month there is always almost that amount outstanding, The CHAIRMAN—You must have some stock. Cantain BENNING-When a ship comes in von must have some biscuits for her. You must keep a stock ready for such orders.

Mr. VAUCHER -- isenits are soon baked Captain Benning-Yas, but you see biscuits will keep and we lik it have them kept a bit so that they get hard; it is good for their toeth, Wr. Legge-I beg as propose the adoption of this report and accounts. The CHAIRMAN-Well. I will put it to the

Mr. VAUCHER—I have not had a satisfactory answer to my question: I say there is too much money in hand for the business. The CHAIRMAN-I think you have: there is only \$2,000 besides the stock in hand. We must have that. We must keep a stock of biscuits, and then there are all manner of things

we have to keep—raisies, sugar, wedding favours. and I do not know what else beside. I have brought up with me a stock list. You must take off the \$3,000 for the dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-But you have \$3.122 out-The CHAIRMAN-Yes, but that is an amount which is always outstanding. We never have that money in hand; it is always outstanding.

Suppose we stop the concern at any moment

there will always be about that amount to collect. Mr. McCulloch-It is a sort of revolving Mr. VAUCHER-Yes, very much so: Mr. George - Yes, so would you be if you had been baked as much as those biscuits. The CHAIRMAN-Well, is this all the ques-

3,514.58 | tions you have to put to me? Mr. VAUCHER-Yes, if you will not give me any more answer than you have. Do you really want this \$14,000 to work the concern with? The CHAIRMAN—But we have not got \$14,000. Mr. VAUCHER-Indeed you have. The CHAIRMAN-How do you make it?

Mr. VAUCHER -You have the \$5,983 cash on hand, \$936 on current account, then you have 986.72 | \$3,122 for outstanding accounts The CHAIRMAN—But those are always out-113.52 standing. You cannot get the amount in unless you stop the concern and get all the accounts in. Mr. VAUCHER - But you have the profits. Mr. Leoge-Mr. Vanc ser, I must take exception to your romarks. I have nothing to do with the firm of Messes. Lane, Crawford & Co., \$33.716.26 but I am a shareholder in this company, and what you say amounts almost to a vote of censure

upon our Managors. Mr. VAUCHER-Oh, no; you misunderstand . Mr. LEGGE—It seems perfectly clear to every 12,122.71 one in this room but yourself. 120.10 Mr. GEORGE—He has a perfect right to cri-153.48 | ticise the accounts. Mr. Legge-And I have a perfect right to

The CHAIRMAM-It is only a matter of Mr. VAUCHER-You misunderstand me; what I say is that we have too much capital. We have that \$4,000 on deposit. Captain BENNING-That is for a case of

emergency, and the other is what we have to work with. We have \$5,000 or \$6,000 to work with—say \$7,000. The pay us \$3,000, so there is only \$4,000 left. Mr. VAUCHER—There is \$986 in the Hong-7.97 kong and Shanghai Bank on current account, 50 ... and the outstanding accounts. Captain BENNING-Well, I have put it at 87.000 and out of that 83.000 has \mathbf{t}_2 come for our dividends. The amount for outstanding ac-

S 5,990.86 counts is always outstanding. Working account 2.916.16 Mr. McCulloch-There are always these ac---- | counts outstanding. Captain BENNING-If we are to get in the amount for outstanding accounts we must shut up shop, for we have to keep a run-The Chairman said-Gentlemen, you have ning account with our customers. That is the report before you, and I think we may take one fact you have lost sight of. People do not

Mr. McCulloch—Perhaps they do not pay Mr. GRORGE-Why not let your criticism take, the form of an amendment, and state vour objections after the accounts are passed? It is The CHAIRMAN-Yes. The falling off is due no use criticising the thing and arguing it out to a decrease made in prices, a rise in the cost of like this. Put it in the form of an amendment, flour, and to an absence of outside work we and say that you on he to have a bigger dividend. Mr. VAUCHER-No. I shall not do that.

> questions I will propose that the accounts be Mr. LEGGE seconded. Carried mem. con. Mr. George-I propose that Messrs. T. T. Benning, E. L. Woodin, J. D. Hutchison, and committee in accordance with the Articles of

The CHAIRMAN -- Well, if there are no more

Association, be re-elected, and that Mr. H. Crawford be elected in the room f Mr. II, Foss, who Mr. V. HEALLER seconded. The CHAIRMAN—I propose the re-election of

Mr. McCurnoch seconded. Carried. The CHAIRMAN -That is all the business, gentlemen; the dividend warrants will be sent, out

THE HONGKONG I'E COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the sixth annual report of the General Managers of the Hongkong Ice Co.,

Limited, for presentation to the shareholders at the annual meeting to be held to-day, the 22nd The General Managers beg to submit to the share. hulders a statement of the company's accounts for The balance credit of profit and less account in-

oluding \$1,125.30 brought forward from last year is \$22,213.91. This will admit of a dividend of \$3 per share and a special appropriation towards cost of

The arrangements for selection and fitting out the now loo Machine were entrusted to Mr. W. N. Bain. the late Manager of the works. The machinery is now on the ground, and an engineer conversant with the class of machine selected has arrived from Eng-The CHAIRMAN-Out of the cash in hand we land to superintend its setting up. It is hoped that this machine will be in working order early in Summer. During the past year the quantity of ice manufac-tured was slightly under that of the preceding souson, and the net earnings about \$3,500 less. The temperary lowering of pricee consequent on the opposition met with last summer; and absence of the extra demand

Invested in Chinese loan, 1891 Invested in Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's share..... Cash on hand Hongkong and Shanghai Dank-On current account On deposit account. Outslanding account Accounts receivable Coals on hand Ico on hand **************************** Stores on hand..... Unexpired fire insurance

GIABILITIES. Capital account Reserve and depreciation account..... Accounts payable ... Appropriation for extension a/c. \$8,750,00 Less expended on a/c to date... 691.88 Profit and loss account

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. To salaries, wages, & general trade expenses \$15,059.1 To Crown rent and taxes, less rents received. To General Managers' commission To auditor's fee.....

By balance of undivided profits, 31st De-By receipts for ice during the year, and value of stock on hand By transfer fees.

THE OPENING OF THE ALICE $MEMORIAL\ HOSPITAL,$ HONGKONG.

the 16th inst. There was no formal coremony in | dered, but a weakness that has been noticed in connection with the event, but the Committee | some of his comic performances just made itself apthrew the building open and issued a n tice parent here-lack either of thoroughly careful stating they would be glad to meet all who preparation, or care in delivery. In "My Queen" were desirous of viewing it. This invita there was one slight verbal stumble, and tion was lar cly availed of, the rooms being in the duet a musical one. Mr Scott has a thronged with Chinese, and a good number of strong ful baritone voice of capital compass, and Europeans also attending. The hospital is with a little more training will make an excellent situated at the corner of Hollywood-road and | vocalist. Mr. Crowe has made great strides in Aberdeen-street, and has a frontage on the | singing since he first appeared in public, and he former of 45 feet and on the latter of 100 feet 3in. has probably nover been heard to so much adentrance from Hollywood-road to the first floor | training, and-was able to use to its best advant-Hollywood-road entrance hall a marble slab has well suited with the song "Si e Ver." Mr. ing inscription :--

IN LOVING MEMORY Wife of Dr. Ho KAI, BORN IN LONDON, FEBT. 3rd, 1953, DIRD IN HONOKONG, JUNE 8th, 1884. THIS H' SPUTAL. Building is Erected

By HER LOVING FRIENDS. As stated in this inscription, the Hospital has been erected in memory of the late Mrs. Ho Kai. The cost of the building has been defrayed by Dr. Ho Kai, the cost of the site being provided from a fund raised by public subscription. 85,000 was given to this fund by Mr. E. R. Belilius, and one of the wards bears his name: The building consists of a basement and two floors above and is built around three sides of an open court or yard. In the basement there are the waiting rooms—or. For men and one for women-the consulting room one dispensary, and servants' quarters and others. On the first floor there are three wards-a women's ward, general ward, and a ward for ulcers and external diseases. The last named has a chunam floor. The women's ward is the one which bears the name of the "Emanuel Raphael Belilios Ward," which is inscribed in gilt letters on a board at the door. There are also bathrooms and other offices on this floor. On the floor above there are two wards. one a general ward and the other for eve dis-! eases; also the operating room, quarters for the resident surgeon, buth room and offices. All the. wards are main to look cheerful with pictures and scrolls bearing mitable Chinese inscriptions: The resident surgeon is Dr. Tchin Lng. who comes from Amoy and was engaged through Dr. Jordan give their services as honorary physicians

Dr. Hartigan of the general ward on the first floor. Dr. Manson of the general ward on the Solode Soprano, "Stabat Mater," Rossini, Sra. Laura top floor, Dr. Young of the women's ward, and Dr. Jordan of the ophthalmic ward. Dr. Poute also gives his services as surgeon-dentist, and Mr. Crow, the Government Analyst, has superintended the fitting up of the dispensary. The bospital will be carried on under the anspices of the London Missionary Society. The Medical. Committee consists of the Rev. Dr. Chalmers, | hibition of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, Dr. Ho Kai, and the honorary physicians. Dr. which was held on the 17th and 18th instant. Jordan is the hon. Medical Secretary, and the In flowers, fruit, and vegetables the show is be-Rev. Dr. Chalmers the Secretary and Treasurer. low the average of recent years. The number The plans for the building were prepared by of competitors is reduced, especially in the class Messis, Bird and Palmer.

being erected by the Chinese Christians con- what has been seen before. Still, considering nected with the London Missionary Society | the very trying nature of the season, the exhibi-The top floor is a chapel, and is capable of seat- | tion is everything that could be expected. ing five hundred worshippers. The regular Flowering plants, cut flowers, table decorations, services of the church will be held here, &c., are behind last year, especially table decorawhile the first floor will be used as a preach. It may be remembered that this was a Fan. ing hall and school, and in the basement will | very strong feature last year, and the exhibits | be a residence for the native paster and rooms | made a separate department which was evidwhich may be used for other purposes in connec- ently the most attractive feature of the show. Phillippo. tion with mission work. A communication is to This year they were reduced to about one be made between this building and the hospital in third of last year's entries. Miss Cameron took order to allow the patients to attend chapel. It first honours here with a very chaste design was at first intended to use one of the rooms in | in white flowers with maiden hair fern. The the basement of the ho-pital as a chapel for the second prize exhibit was decidedly novel and patients, but the room which had been designed | original, being a combination of the bright yelfor this purpose has been taken up by the dispensary, the room originally intended for the latter having been found unsuitable for the pur-

There were already two female patients in the hospital vesterday, and this morning the doors will be thrown open for the reception of all who present themselves. There are beds for more than eighty patients.____

AMATEUR CONCERT AT THE

LUSITANO CLUB HONGKONG.

in aid of the orphan children brought up excellent, and among the collections of six anat the Itulian Convent, proved one of the | nuals he had one rare and very pretty plant in most successful that has been given in this colony | capital order-the desert pea, which comes from for a long time. The performers were all pupils | Australia. His gladiols, too, in the collection of Signor Cattaneo, whose large connection here of three pot plants, was a remarkably fine specifurnished him with an ample field from which to men. Among the collections of foliage plants one select the performers. The pretty ball-room of | sent by Mr. Chee Ree, a plant of the asparagus the Lusitano Club was completely crowded on tribe with most delicately fine foliage, attracted the 16th inst, several failing to find seats, and some attention. Mr. Woodin, as usual, was doubtless Signor Cattonee has been enabled the most successful exhibitor of forns, which made to the land, or as Surveyor, or otherwise? thereby to hand over a very satisfactory sum to a really excellent class, and were the strongest the Italian Convent.

community, there was only one gentleman of that | jee won the Belilios medal in this class also. Mr. | purchaser—such application and proposed sale | so that no notice could be obtained of prior denationality who contributed anything beyond Woodin had the best collection of twelve kinds, being first approved by the Governor. swelling the choruses of the orchestra his lot including some remarkably fine cauli- annual Crown Rent is fixed by the Surveyor by no means unknown to Hongkong audiences, show of vegetables. The Chinese market gar. an upset price, upon certain conditions, the highbut one of the most familiar, Mr. W. Scott, is | deners made much fewer entries, and failed to | est bidder above the upset price being declared practically new, as he appeared in an entirely fill ut the space allotted to them. Colory was the purchaser for a term of 999 years if a Victoria fresh line. Hitherto Mr. Scott has only ap- very much below the average. has an undoubted take to the t direction, be has arrangements this year. The metabed stands of the fixed unnual rental. Has any incompanipea ed as a singer of comic sours, and though he far too good a voice to the ready on the lowest were carried the whole way round the outer walk ence in this mode of sale to the public by another. Title should not be granted, or what other me- than one handred times as much as other probranch of the art. Messr- I'm ver, Kobinson, and on the fountain plateau, and the stalls were ran. on the application of individuals, arisen or come | thed would you suggest? but we never remember to have heard them to centre stand on the east side. During the afterbetter advantage than on this occasion. The noon the Band of the Northamptonshire Regentleman débutant, so far as a Hongkong giment played a capital selection of music under public stage is concerned, is Mr. R. Withers, Mr. Moran. who possesses a very pleasant well rounded tenor | The judges were:-Plants and Cut Flowersvoice, which he uses with much taste. Deal- Messrs. Arthur and A. B. Westland. European ing individually with the ladies, we should | Vegetables-Messrs. A. E. Vaucher and E. imagine that it would be hard for an umpire | George. Chinese Vegetables Mesers, A. G. to award the palm, and it really seems a most Romano and F. Rapp. The table decorations invidious task to make any selections where were judged by two-ladies who have expressed a all did so well. Miss Roza Machado had the desire that their names should not be published. misfortune to be suffering from a cold, and owing to that, and evident nervousness, she was unable to do herself full justice. It is to be hoped that this young lady will ere long give the publie another opportunity of hearing her, for she evidently possesses a voice of excellent quality Nowrojes. and fair power. Miss Laura Leiria's song "Guarany" was most successful. This lady's Irving. voice is not powerful, but it is a soprano full of sweetness, and of excellent range. The

greatest merit of the song lay in the perfect Nowroice.

for ice from the French mail statuers which existed taste and judgment with which it waste Miss Leiria singing like a the The sole "Stabat Mater" was this lady, who was accompanil collent chorus. Miss Edith Carvallio showed equal indication of careful and able training and of real natural taste and aptitude. Her song "Vo'danzar" was a very difficult one, but it was

rendered throughout with much ease, the trills being beautifully given. Miss Carvalho has a crisp ringing soprano voice of good strength. An encore was loudly called for both these singers, 400,00 but owing to the length of the programme this 270.39 could not be granted. In the second half Miss Sylvia dos Remedios sang "Non Torno" with great success; she has a very melodious mezzo soprano voice, and exhibited throughout the same cultured taste. Miss Anna C. Gomes was equally successful with "Salvator Roza." This lady has a stronger soprane voice than most of the other singers, but it lacks a little of the sweetness of those above mentioned. There was the same evidence in this case of successful culture. This concludes the ludy sole vocalists, but nearly all those we have mentioned took part in

duets or in a quartette with equal success. The only English words used by any of the ladies were in the duet "The Fisherman", which is a translation from the Italian. This was sung 8,058.12 by Miss Gomes and Mr. Scott, and was re-22,213.91 ceived with the strongest marks of approval. The pianeforte solos of the young ladies who \$189,419.83 took part in the entertainment merit equal praise, and we question if there have ever been more meritorious amateur performances in the colony than that of Miss Souza. 2.000.00 Misses Carolina de Souza, Maria E. Alves,

100,00 and Izabel dos Remedios all showed them-and were all most warmly applauded. A very admirable solo was also played by Mr. Hugo dos Remedios. Mr. J. S. Brewer was the first gentleman vocalist, and on this occasion he snng

36.993.03 | " The Demon King", and in our opinion it was 89.00 done in public. He was in excellent voice, and the song was in his proper range. Mr. Robinson had a long solo part to sing in the quartette from "Rigoletto," and he gave it in his Mody. usual artistic manner. He also was in capital voice and passed from one register to another | with great case. Mr. Withers we have already referred to: his song was very favourably received. Mr. Scott's "My Queen," and his share | din. The Alice Memorial Hospital was opened on in "The Fishermen-" dust were both well ren-

The intrance for patients is from Aberdeen vantage on a stage as he was on Wednesday evenstreet to the basement, and there is another ing. He showed evident signs of successful for the use of the doctors and friends. In the lage his powerful baritone voice, which was been let into one of the walls bearing the follow- Jordan is also evidently an improving performer; his violin solo was of great merit, and as far as we could judge its only fault was its length. About one half the selection rendered is as much as any performer should give at one time in an entertaimment of this nature. It now only remains to mention the choruses and orchestration, which were well in keeping with the high standard of the rest of the concert. Appended is the programme:-

PRIMEIRA PARTE. Ouverture.

.... Stas. Gomes e Coro. Rossini La Carita. Solo ao Piano, "La Figlia del Reggimento," Ascher, Sr. Hago dos Remedios. Solo de Seprano, " Non ti scordar di me," Robaudi, Sra. Roza Machado. Sr. J. S. Brewer Duete, "Uma notte a Venezia." Sra. Edith Carvalho e Sr. J. Robinson.

Solo so Piano da Opera "Semiramis," Ascher, Sra. Carolina de Souza. Solo de Soprano, "Guarany," Gomes, Sra. Laura, Solo de Tenor. "Non è Ver." Mattei, Sr. R. Withers. Solo de Rabeca... "Thanbauser," ... Sr. A. L. Jordan. Solo de Seprano, Valsa "Vò danzar," Mattei, Sra. Edith Carvalho.

SEGUNDA PARTE.

Quarteto da Opera "Rigoletto," Verdi, Sra. Edith Carvalho, Sra. Anna C. Gomes, Sr. J. Robinson, e Sr. W. Scott. Sele ao Piano, "La Sonnambula," Leybach, Sra. Maria E. Alves. Solo de Maio Soprano, "Non tomo," Mattei, Sra. Sylvia dos Remedios. Solo de Basitero, "My Queon," Blumenthal, Sr. W. Dueto da Opera, "Sapho," Pacini, Sra. Anna C Gomes and Sra. Sylvia dos Remedios.

Solo ao Piano, "Capriccio," Raff, Sra. Izabel dos ${f Remedies}.$ Manson. Drs. Hartigan, Manson, Young, and | Solo de Soprano, "Salvator Roza," Gomes, Sra, Anna Solo de Baritono, "Si h Ver," Mattei, Sr. W. Crow. and have each undertaken the charge of a ward. Dueto, "The Fishermen," Sra. Anna C. Gomes e Sr. Mang Yuon; 3, Chan Acheung.

HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW.

The recent long spell of wet, miserable weather. has had its inevitable effect upon the annual exfor Chinese market gardeners, and with some Next door to the hospital is another building exceptions the exhibits are not equal in merit to lew blossom of the nasturtium and the brown foli age of the begonia and erosine. Mr. Chee Bee. of the East Point Sugar Refinery grounds, was a very successful competitor in the cut flower class. He was, as usual, a large exhibitor. Last year the exhibits from this garden were in the name of Mr. Hassell. Among the plants a noticeable feature was a fine collection of plants. specimens of kinds newly introduced into the Botanical Gardens. They were foliage plants, and the central one was a large eyeas present and performed at intervals. from the Lo-fa-shan mountains on the The concert organised by Signor Cattaneo | the medal. Mr. Nowrojee's pansies were also

West River. Mr. Nowrojee's collection of plants in the class for the Belilios medal was a very strong all round lot, and took

Appended is the prize list :--

PLANTS IN POTS. Six annuals-1, D. Nowrojee : 2, E. L. Woodin. Three foliage plants-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee Bee. Three flowering plants-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. Three single germiums-1, Chee Bee; 2, Mrs. Bell.

Three double geraniums-1, Chee Bee ; 2, no award

Throo roses-1 Chies Rec: 2, C. P. Chater.

Three chrysanthemums-1, Chee Bee; 2,

Three camellies—1, D. Newrojes | 2, E. L. Woodin.
Two dahlies—1, Choc Bee; 2, D. Newrojee. Two chrysanthemums-1, D. Nowrojee : 2. Chee Two Chinese auters-1, Mrs. Bell-Irving; 2, Two English auters—1, D. Nowrojen, 2, H. N. Mody. One annual—1, Chee Bee; 2, D. Nowrojee. One dablis—1, Chee Bae; 2, Mrs. Boll-Irving. One geranium-1, Chee Bee; 2, E. L. Woodin. One-rose-1, Chee Bee; 2, J. H. Cox.

One ohrysanthemum-1, D. Nowroles: 2, Mrs. Bel One pink, carnation, or sweet william-1, Chee Been One gladiolns-1, Chee Bee; 2, D. Nowrojee. One pelargenium-no award. One hyacinth—no award. One lily-no award.

One parcisaus-1, H. N. Mody; 2, D. Nowrojee. Ope pot of pansice-1, D. Nowrojee; 2, E. One pot of primules-1, Chee Bee; 3, Mrs. Boll One aster—1, C. P. Chater; 2, D. Nowrojee.
One petania—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, no award.
One verbens—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D. Nowrojee.
One daphne—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chee Beo.

One flowering plant-1. E. L. Woodin: 2. D. Nowro One foliage plant—1, Chre Bee; 2, D. Nowrojec. One camellia—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, C. P. Chater. One orchid—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, E. L. Woodin. One palm-1, Mrs. Bell Irving ; 2, E. L. Woodin. One tree fern-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Chae Bec. One azuleas-1, Chee Bee; 2, D. Nowrojee. tumps or rockwork-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, D.

Six forns, exotio-1, E. L. Woodin; 2. D. Nowrejee Six ferns, indigenous-1, D. Nowrojce; 2, E. Three forms-1, E. L. Woodin : 2, Chee Bee. CUT FLOWERS. Four camellia blooms-1, D. Nowrojee, 2, H. N Four chrysanthemum blooms-1, D. Nowrojee;

Four rose blooms-1, Chea Bee ; 2, D. Nowrojee. Six bunches of out flowers, dissimilar, (each bunch to consist of one variety only)—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Hand bouquet-1, Chee Bee; 2, H. J. Holmas. Table decorations-1, Miss Cameron; 2, Mrs. Davis Table decorations of wild flowers-1. Mrs. Davis ; 2 no award.

VEGETABLES. Six kinds of vegetables-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, H. Two heads of celery, large-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, Two he ds of celery, dwarf-1, E. L. Woodin; Sir beet roots (long)-1, H. N Mody; 2, E. L. Woo. Government for public purposes, on 3 months' owing to a comparison of the description of the Six beet roots (short or round)-1, Col. Hughes : Six carrots (long)-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2, Chee Rec. Six carrots (short or early)-1. Chee Bee; 2, E.

Six parsnips-1. Chee Bee; 2, C. P. Chater. Two cabbages—1, H. N. Mody; 2, A. E. Vancher. 11.—Has property?
Two cabbages, red,—1, H. N. Mody; 2, D. Nowro12.—Doe One lettuce cos-No award. Two lottuce cabbage-No award One dish parsley-1, E. L. Woodin ; 2, Chee Bee.

Fifty pods of peas-1, Chee Bee; 2, E. L. Woodin Fifty pode of bears, French-1, Chee Bee; 2, E. Twenty-five pods of beans, broad-No exhibit. Twenty-five potatoes, white-1, E. L. Woodin C. P. Chater. Twenty-five potatoes, red-1, Col. Haghes; 2. I. Peretval. Six turnins-1, H. J. Holmes; 2, E. L. Woodin.

Six turnips, Swedes-1, Chee Bee; 2, Mrs. Be Twelve onions-L. Mrs. Bell-Irving; 2, Chee Bee. Twelve leeks-1, H. J. Holmes; 2, A. E. Vauchet. Twelve shallots-1. Chee Bee: 2, no award. Twenty-five radishes, turnip rooted-1, E. L. Wood-1; 2, Chee Bos. Twenty-five radishes, long-1, Chee Bee; 2, E. Woodin.

Six kohl rabi-1, Col. Hughes; 2, Chee Bee.

Two savoys—1, Chee Boo; 2, H. N. M. dy. Fifty brassels sprouts—1, E. L. Woodin; 2, A.E. Vancher, Twolve tomatos—I, D. Nowrojee; 2, C. P. Chater. Two vegetable marrows—1, E.L. Woodin; 2, Chee Two couve tronchoudas—No award.

Sir horse radish-1, hee Bee; 2, no award. Two Scotch kail-1, E. L. Woodin; 2, H. N. Mody. Arrowroot-1, H. N. Mody; 2, E. L. Woodin. Salad, 6 kinds at least-1, Chee Bee; 2, No award. Best collection of sweet and pot herbs-1, Clea Bee: 2, D. Nowrojee. Yam (special) D. Nowrojco.

(FOR CHINESE MARKET GARDENERS ONLY.) Four kinds of vegetables-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin Po: 3, Chan Acheung. Two heads of celery-1, Kam Shing; 2, Cheung | vendor's Title Deeds? Shing Yuen : 3. Tak Wa. Sir beet roots, short-1, Chan Acheung; 2, Cheung Shing Yuen: 3, Mung Yun. Six best roots, long-1, Choung Shing Yuen; Mung Yuen : 3, Chan Acheung. Six carrots-1, Cheung Shing Yuen; 2. Chan Achenny; 3, Tak Wa. Two cauliflowers-1, Ko Fan; 2, Chan Tui Po; 3, Two cabbages-1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Tak Wa; 3,

Two cabbages, drumhend-1, Chan Acheung; 2, to Fan; 3, Kam Shing Two lettuce, cos-1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Tak Wa; Ko Fan. Two lettuce, cabbage-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin Po 3, Choung Shing Yuon. One dish of parsley-1. Cheung Shing Yuen 2 Fifty pods of peas-1, Kam Shing; 2, Tak Wa; 3 Mung Yuen, Fitty pods of beans, French-1, Choung Shing; 2 Chan Acheung; 3, Mung Yuen.
Twenty-five potatoes—1, Chan Ting Shan; 2, Chan

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Tin Po; 3, Mung Yuen. Six turnips-1. Ko Fan; 2, Chan Ting Shan; 3, Cheung Shing Yuen. Twelve shallots-1, Tak Wa; 2, Ko Fan; 3, Chan Twenty-five radiabes-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Tin Po; Mrs. Chan Acheung. Fifty brussels sprouts-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Acheung;

Cheung Shing Yuan. Twelve tomatos-No prize. Six horse radish-1, Chan Tin Po; 2, Ko Fan. Best collection of sweet and pot herbs-1, Ming Yuen: 2, Cheung Shing Yuen; 3, Chan Acheung. Two yams-1, Tak Wa; 2, Chan Ting Shan; 3,

Six arrowroots, West Indian-1, Tak Wa; 2, Mung Ynen; 3, Cheung Shing Yuen. Five arrowroots, East Indian-No award. Six kohl rabi-1, Tak Wa; 2, Mung Yuen; 3, Ko

Best of lection of fruits, (grown in Hongkong)-1, Mr. D. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. H. J. Holmes; 3, lady BELILIOS PRIZES-SILVER MEDAL

Mrs. Rell-Irving; 3, Mr. H. J. Holmes. To Mr. Chee Bee was awarded the Belilios Silver Cup for the best exhibition of plants, and | Or should there be any restriction? also the Belilios Silver Cup for the best exhibition of vegetables. Mr. Dorabjee Nowrojee was is dealt with the document, -assignment, settle- upon what terms, and how are the terms to be

collection of plants and the best collection of it,—must be registered with the proper Officer | Leaseholders? and the attendance was moderate. The land of registration by Memorial and regulates the also have an option of purchasing the ground he

THE HONGKONG LAND COMMISSION.

The following questions for the consideration and opinion of Landowners, Solicitors, Survey-Commission :--

1.—Is your acquaintance with the land of the 2.—Where land is not granted to persons already in possession, or having an admitted claim | ketable owing to apparently outstanding estates |

and your opinion thereon! are complied with to the satisfaction of the Sur- questions of this sort should be dealt with? selling his contract to purchase before the Lease stands on should be kept clear? can be issued, or otherwise with regard to the 35.—The owner of a house standing upon por- class of Lease or tenure should also have an stipulations of the contract? If so, what is the tions of three separate Lots has to pay propor- option to redeem his Crown Rent, and if so upon

to him from the Land Office containing reserva- to the Crown. How would you deal with the sections and how many houses brilt thereon? tions and covenants, and your opinion is desired question of payments of proportions of Crown How many Farm Lets, Rural Building Lets and upon the following points as regards the effect Ronts in such cases? of the Leuse up at the Lesses or his Assignees

and reserved from the grant, so that the lessee section holders from the sub-section holders and has left in him the surface only of his Lot, and | so on? the erections standing upon it for the term for | 37.—If a sub-section holder pays up the Crown | which the Lease is granted. Can you say whe- Rent to prevent forfeiture (there being no in each class ? ther this reservation has ever been found apprending portion or no remaining portion preciably injurious to the lessee in his occupation | owner) how does he recover the proportions from or dealings with the ground so granted, or that the owners of other sections and sub-sections?

5.—The Crown, by the Lease, reserves the and sub-sections? away the excepted earth, stones, and minerals if tised of permitting sections and sub-sections to required for public purposes, of course doing as be registered a good system or not? If not, at frequent intervals and to report to the Gov. little damage as possible to the lessee. Has this state objections and whether it would be desir- ernor and generally to have the ma agement of reservation any effect upon the value of property, able for all holders of sections and sub-sections to everything connected with Crown property? If or does it occasion any difficulty in its sale, or is hold direct from the Crown under a new Lease so of what members should the Board consist and it otherwise injurious to the lessee ! 6 .- Is it generally believed by purchasers of opinion? property that the Crown would not exercise this 40.—Numerous Deeds have been, and are still

in repair as between Landlord and Tenant with there is no evidence in the Land Office records triots to be such agents and report to the Board, power to the Surveyor General to view and serve | that such a power exists? notice of, and compel such repairs as he may 41.—Would you insist on the Power of Attorconsider necessary, are these covenants of use to nev being registered when land is dealt with for the disposal of land outside of Victoria? the inhabitants generally in preventing dan under it? gerous decays, or are they deemed useless when ried into effect P

prohibited by covenant in the Lease, unless ties. How do you consider that cases of this sort carried on with licence. Do the lessees as a rule | -which render a Title namarketable-should be property where these prohibited trades are if no other defect exists ? carried on inquire whether a licence has been is no inquiry upon this subject made?

considered that the Police Regulations are suffi-10.—The Crown reserves to itself by the Lease If not what defects are there and how do you many should be appointed in the first instance? the right of determining the Lesse and resuming | consider they should be remedied?

inconvenience to your knowledge? of its transfer i 13.—And what is your opinion upon the clause

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14.-Is it desirable to have a simpler form of Crown Lease? Would there be any objection to embody the usual provisions in an Ordinance of the parties and to the property leased 15.—When a lot is sold, pickets, and in some

strictly in order? Lot on the previously vacant ground to which be to "turn out cattle, sheep, or other stock upon the

are all comprised in the vendor's Title which is of a Farm. described by Lot and not by houses?

of under his purchase deed is found to be actu- should be optional or compulsory. ally in another situation?

granted during the first 30 years after the fountionof boundaries, buildings, formation of private cannot be even approximately, identified?

boundaries as described by the Leases? for and cannot be ascertained is it found that or underletting their holdings?

, both Lease description and change of building 51-If so what title is given or accepted?

during a long term of years so us to cause the | Crown Rent? and buildings of the Colony are dealt with ? covenant to build to the satisfaction of the lessees or the tenants in this restriction?

class of house to be built should from time to tory made of sale? time be modified to meet such circumstances p

26-What is your opinion as to the localities 27,-When the ground comprised in a Lease ing a better tenure sgainst all new comers; if so

the winner of the Belilios Silver Medals for a ment, mortgage, or other instrument affecting assessed to the best advantage for all classes of tem of registration being more a registration of stances and upon what terms?

opinion can it be improved? documents in extenso; or, if the system can be an intending purchaser able and willing to pay improved in any other way, in what respect? 29 -Do the registers of Titles in the course | Rentf ors, and others, regarding the sale and tenure of time-by giving notice of old transactionsof the land of the Colony, and other matters re- outstanding legal estates which probably cannot lating thereto, have been issued by the Land be got in, and other things,—become an impediment, rather than an assistance, to the Title? 30.—Would you suggest that the Register of Colony an extensive one as Landowner, or Soli- Titles, so far as it gives notice to a proposed purcitor having the preparation of Deeds relating | chaser or mortgagee, should be limited as to time? For example, an owner's registered Title

is in order for the last 17 years, but is not mar-It was somewhat noticeable that although the The vegetables showed much falling off in to the grant of a Lease, it is put up to public created more than 17 years ago not having been lady performers were all from the Portuguese quality and in number of exhibits. Mr. Nowro auction on the application of an intending got in. If the Title could be limited to 16 years 31.—If you suggest a limit of time what time would you consider a reasonable limit consider-

viously advertised. Until recently the essence thought of when the Lot was originally sold it tion? Would 20 years' purchase be too much cute a counterpart when called upon, and the to one house occupies 3 folios of the different reof the contract was that the purchaser would ac- happens in many cases that one house stands or too little? Lease would thereupon issue; now the building gister books so that three searches of three dif- of to any extent? and other conditions are stated in the contract ferent lots are necessary to ascertain the state. The present yield of Crown Rent is about and the Lease is not granted until the conditions of the title to one house. How do you consider \$170,000 per annum. Twenty years purchase ment grant any facilities for construction? 31.—If by register of the title to a house by of the very large requirements for public works to the harbours on the South side of the Island? alizing profits so enormous is visible on the ship arisen, so far as you know, particularly name or street number, how would you propose is there any reason why this amount should not with regard to the purchaser's dealing with or | the identification of the house and ground it | be raised?

nature of the inconvenience or hardship, and tions of Crown Rents to three different owners what terms and how to be fixed? of the remaining portions of the Lots-the 63.-How many Crown Leases are there for

36.—By what legal means does the owner of a remaining portion recover the proportion of

the effect of this reservation is of no moment to | 38.—What powers of cross distress are usually given in cases of sales and purchases of sections

right of digging for, acquiring, and carrying | 39 .- Do you consider the system hitherto pracfrom the Crown, and if so the reasons for your | should they be remunerated or should their ser-

right, and is it treated as nullity and therefore being, executed by the Attorneys of absentee owners; how is the Memorial evidence of a Deed 7.-And with regard to the covenants to keep executed by an Attorney under power seeing

42 .- Many Powers of Attorney are missing.

comply with this covenant, and do purchasers of dealt with so us to render the Title marketable, 43.—The Memorial of a Deed gives no statement | when it is advisable to have Government Agents |

possession of the ground when required by the 45.—When the Title to a lot was defective that they should be placed under the Crown Land notice and payment to the lessee of a full and fair Lot gathered from the Title Deeds with the 1 72.—With respect to sales of land generally, at the same rate for the additional area. Now, opinion to remove such difficulties. Lease granted the premium for additional area experience which the Court would refuse to enis assessed by the Surveyor General at such force upon an unwilling purchaser, and of what

day in the particular locality the Lot in question | 74-Are conditions of sale with regard to is situated. Do you consider there is any blots upon Title frequently made and what are objection or inconvenience to this course being the most usual blots for which conditions are and to confine the Crown Lease to a description | continued, and if so what is the nature of the | provided? objection or inconvenience? 46,-Is it advisable for the Crown to accept ously affected by such conditions?

the lesses should be dealt with in such cases are accepted?

and part of a third are over the boundary of his of Crown Rent charged, and the liberty it gives nove?

wise that a house which is sold or purchased tion of the proper Government Officer, but the the Supreme Court or under a Land Court to really forms part of the Lot comprised in the Lots remain with the restrictions of the Farm be appointed for the purpose? Lease and consequently at the lower rent. Is it 79. -Supposing new Leases to be granted is it 18.—Are there many cases where a purchaser in your opinion desirable that these restrictions desirable in future to recognize possessory accept a vendor's Title to a Lot which by the should be removed, and if so upon what terms as titles without documentary evidence of record Lease he purports to sell is described as in one 'o payment of premium and extra Crown Rent, in the Land Registry? situation when the property he takes possession and how to be assessed and whether the terms

19.—General'y as to boundaries, are they so Kowloon granted for 14 years, renewable, to which the present requirements as to Land Registry? ill-defined by the Leases, particularly the Leases the same statement and questions apply. Does 81.—Would be advisable to introduce the material daily supply. From the service reservoir your opinion include both Farm and Gorden Liots. | Australian system of Land Registry in cases dation of the Colony, that by reason of the varia- and if not, in what respect is there a difference? where it was so desired, and would such it system streets and alleys, and otherwise such boundaries last statements dealt with, and what steps does of to any extent? a purchaser take when he purchases a Farm or | 82 - Would it be advisable to simplify the 20.—Or, with originally well defined Lease Garden Lot with a house standing upon it to Crown Leases by Ordinance so as to make it neboundaries have such boundaries been changed ascertain that it is not contrary to the terms of cessary only to describe the parties and the land? ocundaries nave such confusion of the Garage as to render the boundaries so unrecognisable that they cannot be located as approximating the form of Squatter's Licence. Do you know to describe the parties and the parties an that they cannot be located as approximating the form of Squatter's Licence. Do you know leases? whether there are any dealings by the squatters 21.—()r, when the boundary of a Lot is sought | among themselves or others selling, mortgaging,

52.—Do you consi er that before underletting 22 -What from your experience and in your his holding a squatter should be compelled t judgment is the most approved manner of pro- purchase a Lease? If so what class of Lease and tecting boundaries of Lots from obliteration upon what terms as to payment of premium and

least trouble of identification when the ground |. 53. Do these people keep cattle, pigs, or goats to any extent? If so, do they take out licences? 23.-A Building Lease contains a lessee's 1 hey depasture their mimals on Government experty beyond the ground covered by their Surveyor General, and the style of house is limit- limited for the by what authority, and should ed in some localities to European and in others to such a practice if existing be stopped or checked? Chinese. Is there any inconvenience to the 54.—Land is sold with squatters upon it, liconsed or unlicensed, subject to the purchaser 24.—Do you consider that with varying compensating them to the satisfaction of the value of the Crown Rent should be considered in Colonial circumstances the restriction as to the Government. Do you consider this a satisfact the upset price?

25.—Would it be advisable for the present | years at a high Crown Rent, and for which a any convenience to purchasers if the amount of limits to be fixed by Ordinance, leaving by such high premium has been paid. Similar or better | purchase money with interest was distributed tordinance a course open to amendment from land is held by licensed squatters at a low rent over a number of years, or at least until after three hundred per cent. The proposal which time to time? Or should it be left to the Sur- for which no premium has been paid. What of buildings were crected. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. H. J. Holmes; 3, Mrs. Bell-Irving. voyor General, or a 'own Land Board with the fect have these different tenures upon the value of property, its transfer and occupation? 56.-Do you consider that the occupier, not where European houses ought alone to be built? | being a trespusser, no matter how low the tenure of his holding, should have an option of purchas-

under a covenant in the Lease. A Registration | 57 -Do you consider that a trespasser after, The show was again open on Friday aftermon | Ordinance [No. 3 of 1844 | provides a method | or before, being assessed on the rate books should of the Northamptonshire Regiment was again priorities of the documents registered—the eys- is occupying as such? If so, under what circum-Titles than of Books. Does this system of re- 58.-If such occupier, licensed or unlicensed, gistration answer any useful purpose, or in your | be too poor to purchase his lot how would you | Board ?

then propose the property he holds should be 28.-Would it be more useful to record the dealt with in the event of its being required by the market premium of the day and Crown 59.-How are leased lands affected by the

clases of squatters, viz :--(1.)—The licensed squatter who pays rates and a low Crown Rent; (2.)-The squatter, unlicensed, who gets on to the rate books and pays rates only;

(3)—The squatter who pays neither rates nor rent and who as a rule is too poor to pay either?

60 -Crown Rents are reserved by every Lease

and Licence, viz. Marine, Inland, Farm, Rural Licences. Do you consider as regards the Marine and Inland Lot Lesses for 999 years and vantages would accrue to the Colony generally where i 32.—Would it not in your opinion be better and the value of property become more assured There were some small alterations in the class, and in any case subject to the payment tions by citing the parties, apparently having their Crown Rents? These Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the community for the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the community for the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the community for the community for their Crown Rents vary be likely to be taken up by the community for the if the Leaseholders had the option of redeeming to remove, would the land now occupied by them perties of equal value, and, unless something is likely to obtain sufficient from the sales to 33.—When part only of a lot is sold it is re- done, this inequality will continue with respect to justify them offering to build new Barracks and 3.—The purchaser at the auction signs acon- and so on—and by reason of blocks of buildings continue, and if not what do you consider a fair tract for puro se in the terms of a form pre- having been erected in a direction not intended nor price for the Leaseholder to pay for its redemp-

62.—Do you consider that the holder of a lower

section helders on those? If so, how many? and how many houses F. How many Squatters oription? How many trospassers and how many February at the office of Mesers. Cussell & Co., All earth, stones, and minerals are excepted Crown Rent due from the section holders, and Licences and how many houses, and of what deshouses and of what description? How many

houses of all descriptions are there that are rated and Naval Authorities, and what amount of land Hunter, L. Moore, J. D. Tho burn, J. Buchanan, is prevented from being occupied by the action of the Military Authorities ?

65.—Is the present mode of granting Crown Land satisfactory, or would you recommend that a Crown Land Board should be appointed to consider applications for the grant of Land, to sit

vices be given voluntarily? 66.—Would it be desirable that the Board, appointed, should have agents outside of Victoria. to receive applications, and would it be desirable for the Inspectors of Police in the outlying disor should the agents be of a different class? 67.—Is it advisable to encourage applications

nese sentiments which, in dealing with the waste the Building Laws in force in the Colony are car- and Deeds executed under them, and their Me. lands of the Colony, the Government might make merials, cannot by any means be proved to be so as to induce respectable Chinese to build their 8.—Certain noisome and offensive trades are populy execut d and signed by the proper par- Family houses in the country districts? 69 -Are there any concessions which the Government could make in dealing with such land for the purpose of increasing manufactories? 70.-In your opinion has the time yet come

68.-If so, are there any concessions to Chi-

obtained before they complete their purchases, or of the usual covenants the Deed contains—such who would also be Magistrates in Kowloon and covenants being presumed-If the law were that in the Country Districts of Hongkong, to attend 9.-By Ordinance 10 of 1872, and the Rules every Deed should be taken to comprise certain amongst other things to receiving applications under Ordinance 7 of 1883, provision is made in usual covenants; would Deeds and their registra- for grants of land, to look after the Crown's inrespect of noisome and offensive trades. Is it tion become in your opinion more simplified? terests in the Forests, to have the superinten-44.- Are the forms of Memorials generally dence of the collection of Crown Rents and Rates ciently stringent without the necessity of the adopted for registration, in other respects, suffi. and Taxes and generally to look after the Crown's cient as secondary evidence of missing Deeds? interests in outlying districts, and if so how 71.-With respect to Forests, is it advisable

compensation to be fairly and importially made Lot itself shewing the original ground has been are there any peculiar difficulties in the making by the Surveyor General. Has this right of re- added to, it was customary for the Crown to of Titles owing to the present arrangements ressumption by the Crown on payment of the Sur- accept a surrender of the Lot and grant a new pecting the grant of Crown Leases and assignvoyor General's valuation occasioned any harm or | Lease with corrected boundaries, and adjusted | ments of sections and sub-sections? If so, please rental. If the former Lot was sold at a premium | state what difficulties are experienced in these or il.—Has it any effect upon the value of the an extra promium would be assessed and charged in any other respects and the best way in your 12 - Does it act in any way to the prejudice if the surrander of a Lease is accepted and a new | 73 - Are there many Titles to land in your

> rate as he finds to be the market rate of the nature are the objections to the Title? 75.—Is the market value of property injuri-

cases boundary stones are fixed in the ground to surrenders and to grant fresh ('rown Leases upon | 76.—With respect to existing dispositions of mark its boundaries. These are frequently re- an expante application and without notice to pos- Crown Land, is it in your opinion possible withmoved in the course of building operations by sible claimants? Or is it desirable to make pro- out a full and complete inquiry into the whole of the contractor or his workmen, and it is subset visions on the subject so as to do justice to all the property to make the present Titles corresquently found out that the lot has become alter- parties and to have the applicant's Title approved pond with the actual land occupied? Or is it ed in measurements. How do you propose that by some competent tribunal before surrenders desirable to inquire into all the Crown Leases already granted and to grant new Crown Leases with the view to keeping his Title to the Let 47-In addition to the Marine and Inland upon equitable terms as far as practicable in ac-Building Leases for 999 years and Rural Buil- cordance with present holdings giving to each 16.—The owner of a Lot which adjoins vacant | ding for 75 years there is another form of Lease | Crown Lessee and to all holders of sections and ground has a width upon which he can build 3 called a Farm Lease the extra privileges it con- sub-sections a new Crown Lease and thus starthouses. He builds 5 under one roof of which 2 fers beyond a Building Lease being the low rate ing afresh, and commencing registration de

77.—If in your opinion it is desirable that has no Title. The lot is sold with the 5 houses | waste or number ivated hills adjoining" the Lot | such a course should be adopted would you redescribed as erected thereon. What steps as to I its extra restrictions being the reservation of all commend that it should be compulsory, or should measurement are usually taken by a purchaser | timber, (rees, and underwood and a covenant not | it be made compulsory upon the application of a to ascertain that in buying the 5 houses they to build except what is required for the purposes Crown Lessee, or of a majority in number and value of holders under any one Crown Lesso? These Lots are now nearly all built upon as it | 78.—Should the inquiry be conducted under 17.—Is it the case that frequently on sales and | they were Rural Building Lots and ornamental | the authority of a Crown Land Board or of purchases of houses that neither the vendor nor trees and shribs have been planted upon them. Commissioners to be specially appointed for the purchaser can establish by measurement or other- the buildings having been erected with the sanc- purpose, with an appeal on questions of law to posts are being erected, from which nearly all the

80 .- Would the provisions of the last Registration Act in England "The Yor shire Regis-

84.-Would it be advisable to register Memorials only, or would it be better to preserve a copy of all original documents in the Land Registry? Or is it advisable to give the party the case of the shares of the Bank of Japan

registering an option in the matter? suitable to the circumstances of the Colony or is it desirable to convert leaseholds into freeholds? 86.—If the Leasahold system is to continue how should property bequeathed by Will be registered? Also in cases of intestacy where Lease-

tor for payment of debts? 87.—In future sales of Crown Land is there any reason why Crown Rent beyond a nominal sum should be charged, ar is it advisable that the

88.—Is it advisable that the purchase money 55.— ome ground is held upon Lease for 75 should be charged in a lump sum, or would it be this stock in the course of one week has con-

> Crown Tenants. A list is made out by the ing it to twenty million yeu, when the portion Registrar of owners of Crown Leases of Inland | paid up would become ton millions. Wth raand Marino Lots, Farm, Rural Building, and gard to the Specie Bank, its shares were selling Garden Lots, and by the Registrar General of a week ago for about you 310, but their price holders of Squatters licences, and furnished to now is about 400. This also is attributable to a the Treasurer. The rents are collected by the project to increase the capital of the Bank to. Treasurer, who receives the amount from any one | twice its present amount, thus bringing it to six who chooses to pay. Does this practice leave million yes. Next to the stock of these two any opening for fraud on the Government?

are there generally large arrears? 91.—Is it desirable for the assessment rates and taxes to be made by a Crown Land 9 .- Should appeals be made in the first it.

such sudden changes is pointed to with some stance to the Crown Land Board P 93.—Is it desirable that Crown Rents and measiness. To us the event seems very simple, Rates should be collected by the Board or its but not at all felicitous. Considering that Officers so as to bring them more directly in contact with the Tenants? 94.-As to overcrowding. Can any measures

in your opinion be adopted by Government to prevent the overcrowding in certain districts in 95.—What Government Buildings are there in the City and can any be advantageously removed to places less required by the business

portion of the community? 96.—What land is occupied by the Naval and Military Authorities in the City and could any interest on 278 yea. If people believe that the inducements be offered to them to remove their | Bank is in a position to employ twice as much Building and Garden Lot Lesses and Squatters establishments or any portion of them to places capital with equal success, and that the public is outside the City limits?

90 - Would the Hongkong Government ha

100,—If the land were generally taken up for | now become, or is immediately to become, a 200 building purposes, would the Hongkong Government be in a position out of the rates to pay a consequence the premium on it is nearly doubled larger amount of subsidy for military purposes? in amount. It is much as though a man's stock 101.—Would the making of tramways to in trade were suddenly multiplied by two withremoving any of the people from the crowded such operations as these, coming, as they do, to districts to other localities, and could Govern accentuate the already existing fever fordabbling

settlement at Kowloon? Praya between the Eastern and Western portions | money market in Japan at present without con-

of the City be likely to have? Is it an under- siderable uneasiness; and we are very far from taking that should be commenced at once? 105 -Is there any portion of the sea shore in Shimbun with regard to the record of the past conditions of purchase a Crown Lease is issued as directly responsible for the whole Crown Rent tions? How many owners of sections and sub- the Colony where reclamations are desirable as directly responsible for the whole Crown Rent tions? How many owners of sections and sub-

POOTUNG WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY.

The fifth annual general meeting of the shareholders in this Company was held on the 10th (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Mesers. H. J. Such, C. Jantzen, F. E. Haskell, 64.—What property is held by the Military and F. D. Bush (Directors), J. A. Ballard, A.C. Mr. A. C. HUNTER, the Secretary, having read the notice convening the meeting, The CHAIRMAN said-Gentlemen, the Ac-

counts and Report of the Directors have now

been in your hands the usual time, and, us

customery at similar meetings, with your

permission we will take them as read. The explanations given in the Report. very full and there is little to be added. The business of the past year has been very satisfactory and the Directors feel confident of a continuation of support in the future; our aim has been to afford every fility to the requirements of the business, and we hope to offer additional advantages as occasion demands. The present outlook is promise ing and we trust the results to our shareholders. for the coming year may prove satisfactory. We have succeeded in placing the balance of 219 preference shares at par, and all the capital of the Company is now paid up in full. Both Pootning and Tunkadoo Wharves have been connected with the Settlement by telephone, and a direct commurication has been established between the two wharves. Mr. Peter Macloan has resigned his position as Auditor in consequence of his intended departure from Shanghai, and the Directors have accepted the same with many regrets. We gladly take this opportunity to express our appreciation of his services, which, during his term of office, have given uniform satisfaction. Mr. James A. Taylor has been appointed to fill the vacancy and we shall propose that he be elected to serve until the next annual general meeting. If any shareholder has any questions to ask

shall be pleased to answer them. No questions being asked, the Chairman moved-"That the Report and Accounts as presented be accepted and passed." Mr. C. JANTZEN seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. F. RODEWALD proposed and Mr. J. BUCHANAN seconded-"That Mesers. G. H. Wheeler, Such, J. ntzen, Haskell and Bush be elected Directors to serve until the next Annual General Meeting." Carried manimously. Mr. 11. J. Such proposed, Mr. F. E. HASKELL

seconded, and it was unanimously agreed- That Mr. James A. Taylor be elected auditor to serve until the next Annual General Meeting." There being no further business, the Chairman thanked the shareholders present for their attendance. The meeting then terminated .-Shanghai Mercury.

YOKOHAMA The U.S. Consulate General had a very nar-

row escape on the 5th instant from destruction by fire. At about 10.45 it was found that the interior of one of the upstairs bedroom walls was burning. An axe was soon brought to bear apon the suspected portion, and an opening made, when the source of danger was quickly discovered. Water was siontifully thrown in and through the prompt measures taken a disastrous fire was averted. Mr. Morgin, with a hand engine, was in attendance, and assisted in iterially in suppressing the fire. The bedroom is considerably damaged both by fire and water, as also the room below it.

The water works of this town are gradually approaching completion, and should nothing unforeseen occur will be finished this summer. The main and services are already laid in the streets: most of the fire hydrants fixed; and the water though some of the larger houses will have constant stream laid on. The water will be pumped fro the Sagamiriver into a small receiving tank, and will then descend through the main to Nogeyama, where it will be turned into one of the three filter beds. Having passed through about 8 ft. of fine sand and gravel in this filter bed 48. There are also certain Garden Lots at tration Act, 1884, 47 and 48 Vic. c. 51 meet it will flow into the service reservoir, which, when pipes which descand into the town. The works 40.—How are the lots mentioned in the two of registration be likely to be taken advantage at Nogeyama being constructed chiefly of conmonths in consequence of the frost, but opera-

The recent beem in the share market is re-

markable. It has been most perceptible in

meter.—Javan Gazette.

and the Yokohama Specie. Bank. Prior to 85.—Is the present system of granting Leases | the 25th nitimo, the shares of the former were quoted at 278 year approximately. This was already a very respectable figure, the original value of the shares being only 100 new. But on the 25th ult, a notice was issued by the Directors of the Bank, acquainting shareholders that hold property is not required by the Administra- a general mo-ting, would be held on February 19th to consider a project for increasing the capital of the concern. Immediately the shares leaped upwards. A few days ago they had reached 350 to 360 year, and now they a e quoted at 4 10. The Bank's capital amounts to ten million yen, and is divided into fifty thousand shares of 200 yen each, one half the face value being paid up. The total appreciation of sequently amounted to upwards of six million nen, and it now stands at an actual premium of has produced this marked effect is that the capi-89.—At present no one knows who are the tal of the Bank should be doubled, thus bringinstitutions, that of the Nippon Railway Com-90.—Are the amounts punctually collected or | pany exhibits the most promising record. All this is welcomed by the vernacular press as an indication that capitalists are beginning to turn their attention in the direction of busin sa enterprise, instead of confining themselves intirely to Government socurities, though, at * same time, the speculative spirit indicated by

people have been williag to invest upwards of 40 millions of dollars within the past three years in Nakasendo Bonds, Naval Bonds, and Redemption Bonds, there can be no doubt that large amounts of capital are seeking secure and profitable employment. A share in a bank or similar institution simply means an instrument for investing a certain sum. When the shares of the Nippon Ginko were quoted at 278, the quotation signified that the profits realized by the Bank on every hundred yen of its paid up capital, were at least equal to the market rate of equally ready to subscribe it, then a doubled 97.—Is any land elsewhere available, and if so share ought plainly to be worth 556 yea. The shares are now quoted at 400 yea, and when to 98.—Supposing the authorities were willing this is added the additional handred yen which each holder of a share will presumably be enticourse this consideration does not affect the immense gain that accrues to present holders. The 100 yen instrument of investment which these fortunate folks had for sale a few days ago, has yen instrument of investment, and as a natural in stocks, will contribute to restore a healthy 102.—Could any of the junk trade be removed | business tendency. When the possibility of reand incomparably less lucrative pursuits of legi-104.—What effect would the completion of the timate trade. No one can view the state of the sharing the antisfaction expressed by the Hochi

No. 9093

-Russell & Co.

-E. E. TELEGRAPH Co.

C. M. S. N. Co.

-WIELER & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS

February 21, CATTEBTRUN; British str., 1,406,

February 21, Oxus, French str. 3,675, Lequer-

J. W. B. Darke, Adelaide, 14th January,

and Port Darwin 11th February, General.

ro, Marseilles 16th January, Port Said 21st,

Suez 23rd; Aden 28th, Colombo 6th Febru-

ary, Singapore 12th, and Sigon 17th, Mails

and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

875, W. Fawcus, Hainan Straits 20th Feb.

Croad, Shanghai 18th February, General. CHAMPAGNE

Acreboe, Hoihow 20th February, General. CHAMPAGNE

February 21, SHERARD OSBORN, British str.,

February 21, Fushion, Chines steamer, 1,504,

February 21, Anton, German steamer, 395, E.

CLEARANCES.

21st Februari.

Bothwell Castle, British str., for Saigon.

Alwins, German str., for Macoo.

Telamon, British str., for Amoy.

Deuteros, German str., for Saigen.

Hailoung, British str., for Swatow.

Signal, German str., for Hoihow.

Whampoa.

Decima, German str., for Bangkok.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

DEPARTURES.

February 20, CARISBROOKE, Entish steamer, for

February 21: QUARTA, German steamer, for

February 21, MEEFOO, Chinematr., for Whem-

February 21. SALTEE, Frenchstr., for Haiphong.

February 21, NURNBERG, Geman steamer, for

號三十九零千九第

日十三月正年三十緒光

BEER,

INTIMATIONS.

HAVE JUST LANDED.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

SPECIAL AGENTS.

ELLY" & WALSH, LIMITED,

British Journal of Photography Alk., 1887.

HAYE JUST RECEIVED

Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

The Hongkong Almanack, 1887.

Year Book of Photography, 1887.

Tom Hood's Comic Annual, 1887.

-Will's Bristol-Bird's Eye Tobacco.

Will's Three Castles Tobacco.

Little Beauties Cigarettes.

Myrtle Grove Tobacco.

Old Rip Tobacco.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1887.

2th January, 1887.

NOW READY.

THE FEIHOO WALTZES

R. C. PASSMORE.

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SYDENHAM MOUTRIE.

Shanghai.

J. GRANT,

73 FINE KUNG HO CHIH YU WALTZ, of the security they propose giving for payment

THE PLANOPORTE AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE, The Company does not bind itself to accept the

Acting Clerk of the Course.

THE Undersigned will enter into PARTNER

AND GENERAL BEOKERS under the Style or

R. YEE FOO is authorized to Sign my

Firm or my name per procuration. YEE HING,

Hongkong, 5th February, 1887.

Firm 'HUGHES & EZRA"

Honghang, 81st drya.

SHIP on the let January, 1887, as SHARE

TOGHES,

Kwong Chrung Firm,

No. 40. Wellington Street,

Unwin's Annual-The Witching Time.

'Allen and Ginter's Richmond Mixture.

A Magnificent Assortment of New American

Richmond Straight Cut Cigarettes.

Ruff's Winter Turf Guide.

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Chairman-A. McIver, Esq.

Deputy Chairman-M. GEOTE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong-Thomas Jackson. Esq.

ACTING CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong-John Walter, Esq.

Shanghai-Ewen Cameron, Esq.

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America, China and Japan.

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Hongkong, 28th August, 1886.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FRBRUARY 22nd, 1887.

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

OTICE is hereby given that the Eighteenth ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the

above named Company will be held at the Company's Office situate in Peddar's Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, THIS DAY, the 22nd day of February, 1887, at 12.30 of the olock in the Afternoon to receive a State-

ment of Accounts to the 31st December, 1886,

the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

And Notice is hereby also given that at the same place and in the same day at 12.45 o'crock

IN THE AFTERNOON for so soon afterwards

as the Ordinary Annual Meeting shall be con-cluded, an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL

as a Special Resolution to a Second Extra-

ORDINARY MEETING which will be subsequently

RESOLUTION.

That the Articles of Association be altered in

manner following:

(a.) The following Article shall be substituted

Reserve Fund shall consist of a sum of not

less than \$1,000,000 nor more than \$1,500,000.

for Article No. 112, namely:—112.—The Reserve Fund having now reached the sum

of \$1,000,000 the General Managers and

from time to time so much of the profits as

they may deem desirable to the Reserve

Fund until the said Fund shall amount to

the sum of \$1,500,000 provided always that

such annual appropriation shall not exceed

The following Article shall be substituted

for Article No. 115, namely:-115 -Thesaid

Reserve Fund shall if practicable be main-tained at a sum of not less than \$1,000,000 A STEAM L. nor more than \$1,500,000 and the whole of at 10.45 A.M.

10 per Cent. of the said profits.

MERTING of the company will be held for MARBLE at the purpose of passing the subjoined resolution TABLE at Should the resolution be passed by the required A. COTT majority it will be submitted for confirmation Collabo.

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AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions

THIS DAY,

the 22nd February, 1887, at 2 p.m., at his Residence No. 7, Elgin Street.

THE WHOLE OF HIS.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

Comprising:--

ROOM SUITE, CENTRE TABLE, MIR-

RORS, PICTURES, KEROSINE CHAN-DELIER and LAMPS, and RUGS.

DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHAT

DOUBLE & SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS,

NOTS. DINNER, and BREAKFAST SETS,

WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS.

MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND, TOILET

A COTTAGE PIANO, by COLLARD

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE BRITISH THREE-MASTED

SCHOONER

"WANDERING MINSTREL,"

Sheathed with Yellow Metal, with all her

lies in the Harbour, near the COSMCFOLITAN

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the Purchase

Money to be paid after fall of hammer, the

remainder upon transfer; the Vessel to be at

A STEAM LAUNCH will leave Pedder's Wharf

Purchaser's risk immediately after being knocked

J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Auctioneer.

GLASS and PLATED WARE.

TABLE and TOILET GLASS.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

to Sell by Public Austion, on

The following Article shall be substituted the 28th February, 1887, at 11 A.M., on BOARD,—

the Consulting Committee may appropriate of 362 Tons Register, Built in 1875, and Newly

CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING

Public Auction,

from Inspector JOHN LEE to Sell by



	Europe.	Biethlay Cards	to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1. 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at	the future accruing profits of the Company	For further Particulars, apply to the	To avoid disappointment secure your sours entry.	SHANGHAI,
	February 21, DEUTEROS, German steamer, for Saigon.	Chas. Dickens' Works, handsomely bound in	one time will not be received. No depositor	shall, subject to such annual Bonus as	AUCTIONEEE.	Reserved Seats may do proper at mesura!	TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at DAYLIGHT. G. DE CHAMPEAUX.
	February 21, Halloong, British steamer, for	leather. Whatman's Drawing Paper—Rough, Smooth	may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. 3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having	aforesaid and less such portion or portions (if any) thereof (not exceeding in any year		KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, where a Plan of the Hall may be seen.	f Agent.
	Swatow.	and Medium.	\$1:00 or more at their credit may at their option	30 per Cent, of the profits of such year) as	Hongkong, 7th February, 1887.		Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. [2
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shang-	the General Managers may (as they are hereby empowered to do) apply in maintain-	PUBLIC AUCTION.	Doors open at 8.30 p.m. To commence at 9	INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
	PASSENGERS.	Unicode—a capital little Telegraphic Code.	hai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.	ing the Reserve Foud at a sum of not less	HE Undersigned has received instructions	Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. [396]	COMPANY, LIMITED.
	ABRIVED.	Almanack de Gotha - French and German.	4.—Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per	than \$1,000,000 and less also such portion or portions (if any) thereof as may from	to Sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY,	2	FOR SILVICHAL
	Fer Fushun, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. Short, and 41 Chinese.	Hitchcook Mechanical Lamps. Waterbury Watches—\$4 each.	annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances	time to time be applied in increasing the	the 10th March, 1887, at Noon,	ZETLAND XX LODGE.	FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Carge and Passengers at through rates
	Per Catterthun, str., from Australia.—Mr. and	Whittaker's Almanacks	5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis	said Reserve Fund under Article 112 be	On Board.	No. 525.	for Chefoo, Hankow and Ports on
	Miss Parsons, Messrs. Denny and Holtze, and 30 Chinese.	KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG.	with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with	according to the number of Shares held by	The British Screw Steamer "CRUSADER" of 1,022 Tens gross and 647 Tens net		the Yangtsze). THE Company's Steamship
	Per Grus, str., for Honglong.—From Mar-		each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-	esoh.	Register, will all her TACKLE and	A shows LODGE will be held in l	
	soilles.—Mesars. Layrle, Juge Feiron, Mercier, [BREWER HAS JUST RECEIVED	Books, but should send them to be written up	The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 22nd day	APPAREL as she lies moored in the	FREEMASONS' HALL Zetland Street, on	"CANTON."
	Brisset, Breton, Busnel, Dunch, Layrle, Del- chet, Remardet, Chabaud, Aubron, Brunio,			of February both days inclusive.	harbour of Hougkong. TERMS OF SALE—One third of the purchase	FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 8.3 for	Captain Bremner, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at ELEVEN
	Mercier, and Wegener. From Suez.—Mr. Levy.	Woodfogot p with moor p and	6.—Correspondence as to the business of the		money on fall of the hammer, the remainder on	cordially INVITED.	A.M.
- •	From Aden.—1 Chinese. From Colombo.—Mr. Bizot. From Singapore.—Messrs. Conteman.		Bank if marked On Hondhond Savings Bank Business is forwarded free by the various		transfer. The Steamer to be at Furchasers' risk from time of Sale.	. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. [385]	For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
	Lorenz, and Bret. From Saigon.—Mr. and Mrs.		British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.	Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. 250	A Steam Launch will leave Pedder's Wharf at	BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.	General Managers.
	Cope, Messrs Delpont, Lewit and G. Mansilla, and 69 Chinese. For Shangbal.—From Mar-	Richmond Mixture No. 2.	7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand,	THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE	11.45 A.M.	TATHEREAS a Grant of Land known as	Hongkong, 21st February 1887. [4-7]
	seilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Butlet M. and Mme.	ing to the control of the control	but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of		apply to	♥♥ Sandakan Town Grant No. 19, regis-	AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S
	Chollot, Mme. St. Germain, Messra. Byres, Moll,	Dillion State Control	his Pasa-Book are necessary.	NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.	G. R. LAMMERT.	tered in the name of TAN YOW FONG (of Chun Yuen Street, Canton) is held by YONG	STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
	Selves, Griffon, Roy and family, Struncek, Rouen, Lebedel, Guermeur, Laiosse, Yron, Mail-	Torkish Mixture.	For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank- ing Corporation,	THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY	l		STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG,
	land, Roubinet, and Riviere. For Yokohama.—	Cut Cable Coil.	TOUN WALTER	MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in		oertain monies lent to YEXSAM in July, 1884, [COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ.
•	From Marsoil' - V and and Viscountess Shinegawa and Wiscountess Naka-	1	Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, 8th May, 1885.	the Company will be held at the Company's office, No. 45, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE	CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.	NOTICE is hereby given that the said Grant will be registered in the name of the said YONG	PORT SAID, BRINDISI, & TRIESTE. (Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,
	sama, 77 ava, and A	Althrig Digues Cigareces.		O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON THIS DAY.		SUNG, unless cause is shown to the contrary	MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, BLACK SEA,
	- DERECTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF	Straight Cut No. 1 Cigarettes.	THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK	the 22nd February instant, for the purpose of	NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.	before the 6th of April, 1887. HENRY WALKER,	LEVANT & ADRIATIC PORTS).
	Per Numberg, str., for Broperha 7. 1. — Capts. Rute, Krag, and Wiese, and Mr. A. Wolters.			receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for me year ending list	PERM NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL	Commissioner of Lands.	THE Company's Steamship
	For Southampton, -Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, and	Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes.	- A EMO 000	December, 1886. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company	the above Company will be held at the Office of	Land Office, Sandakan, 6th January, 1887. 313	"THISBE,"
	Mr. George Barker For Colombo.—Mr. J. L. Jackson For Singapore.—Messrs. Chan Ah			-11 by OTORED from the Oth inctant to the	the GENERAL AGENTS, Pedder's Street, on		Captain L. Lemesich, will be despatched as on FRIDAY, the 25th instant.
	Meh and Chan Ah Wan.	Tribitor b south arms in direct D' and and	Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET,	22nd instant, both days inclusive.	the unruese of receiving the Report of the		For Further Particulars regarding Freight
		Rubber Stamps made to order in a few days. W. B.R. E. W. E. R. Queen's Road.	HONDON.	By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,	General Agents; together with a Statement of	THE Undersigned. Agents for Messrs.	and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya Central.
	REPORTS.	Total Transport Transport	Branches in India, China, Japan and the Colonies.	Secretary.	Accounts to 31st December, 1886. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company	E.E. ABRAHAMSUN & Uo., Sandakan,	O. BACHRACH,
	The Chinese steamer Fusher, from Shanghai 18th February, reports had moderate breeze and			Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887. [294]	will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 25th	submit for inspection Samples of hard and soft	Agent.
	fine weather.		THE BANK receives, money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues	HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.	Instant, to the 10th Proximo, both days	TIMBERS suitable for Wharves, Building and	Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.
	The British steamer Catterhun, from Adelaide	HONGEONG NACES	Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection,		inclusive. And Notice is also hereby given that at the	General purposes. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,	NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
•	34th January and Port Darsin 11th February.	THE Undermentioned Banks will be CLOSED			same place and on the same day at 12.15 o'clock	Agents.	NOTICE.
	reports experienced generally ine weather off the	at Noon, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, &		be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's	TIN THE AFTERNOON. OF SO SOON BELEFWARDS 28.	Hongkong, 2nd November, 1886. 40	
:	had a heavy N.W. monscon which lasted 2 days	FRIDAY, the 25rd, 24th and 25th instant.	Interest allowed on Deposits:—	loca a miseral territor (l. 100 t.) la	an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEET-	 	STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KODE, AND
	and from thence to arrival mederate breeze and fine weather. On the 18th February spoke the	FOR THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF	Fixed for 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.	The state of the s	ling of the Company will be held for the	LSHIP'S COMPRADORES, STEVEDORES, I	(Passing through the Inland Sea)
	str. Tai-yuan, off Ambolan Island, bound for		Fixed for 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.	1886 and the Report of the General Managers.	purpose of passing the subjoined Resolutions. Should the Resolutions be passed by the required	COAL MERCHANTS.	THE Company's Steamship
	Sydney.	Manager, Hengkong.	Annum on the daily balance.	notantly bronght before the Meeting	majority they will be submitted for Confirmation	FRESH PROVISIONS SUPPLIED AT THE	"GENERAL WERDER,"
		FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUS- TRALIA, AND CHINA.	ADDDOTTED OF ALICE on the Onymer	The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company	at a Second Extraordinary Meeting, of which due Notice will be given.	SHORTEST NOTICE,	Captain W. von Schukmann, will leave for the
_	NOTICES OF FIRMS.	THE WHITEHEAD	Direct Company areas in Timidalism on the	Mill be Chosed thou the 12th w 12nd integer	***************************************	No. 25, Praya Central. 發炭煤司公泰榮 1284	above Ports on or about the 27th instant. For further Particulars, apply to
•	CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE	Manager, Hongkong. FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING	BAIANCES of such Claims purchased on	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,	PROPOSED SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS. 1.—That the present Capital of the CHINA		MELCHERS & Co.,
	COMPANY, LINITED.	CORPORATION,	advantageous terms. Agency of the National Life Assurance. Society.		SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, be	STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.	Agents.
	URING my Absence Mr. A. S. GARFIT	JOHN WALTER, Acting Chief Manager.	SOCIETY.	Hongkong, 22nd Foorunty, 1001. 1000	increased from \$900,000 to \$1,500,000 by the issue of 6,000 New Shares of \$100 each, to		Hongkong, 22nd February, 1887.
	has been appointed Acting Secretary.	FOR THE COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS,	H. A. HERBERT, Manager, Hongkong Branch.	HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.	be issued at par.	ENDOWMENT ASSUR-)	NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVI-
	By Order, W. H. BAY,	C. C. INCHBALD,	Hongkong, 31st May, 1886.	NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.	2.—That the price of issue of each of the said	ANCE POLICIES PROBLEM WHOSE	
•	Secretary.	Agent FOR THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPOBATION,			new shares be fully paid up by the Allottee on the 31st March, 1887, together with the	POLICIES regards Rates, Non-	FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG, AND
•	Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. 400	LIMITED.	NTIMATIONS.	TATHE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING		REDIREMENT ANNUITY and Revivel	SOURABAYA, (VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE).
	NOTICE,	H. A. HERBERT, Manager, Hongkong.	ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN	the Offices of the Company No. 14. Praya		POLICIES	FIHE Company's Steamship
نکم		Hongkong 17th February 1887	LIQUIDATION.	Central, on SATURDAY, the 26th February,	per cent. per annum.	VERY facility is afforded for despatch of	1
•	HE INTEREST AND RESIGNSHELLTY OF the late Mr. GEORG THEODOR SIEMS-	HONGKONG RACES, 1887.	PAYMENT OF 4TH DIVIDEND.	at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of	3.—The holder of each of the said new shares shall be entitled to participate in the profits	Business. Premiums moderate. Proposal	"BANTAM," Captain Scholten, will be despatched as above
	SEN in our Firm Ceased on the 24th November,		A MOTIONITATION A CL Cl	Accounts to December 31st, 1886.	of the Company as from the 1st Januar	THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,	on or about the 28th inst.
•	HUBBE on the Slat December, 1883.	OFF DAY, SATURDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY.	on all CLAIMS against the Hongkong	The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company	1887, equally with the holders of the present	Agents, Hongkong, Hongkong, 20th April 1886. 2050—3	For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
	Mr. JACOB RUFF has been authorized to	HE "ROADSTERS PLATE," Presented	Branch of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,	will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.	Capital of \$900,000. 4.—That the said new shares be offered in the		Agents,
	Sign our Firm per producation from this date.	by the "Hongkong Jockey Club." For Ponies that have been backed in the	that have been approved by the Court of Chan- cery will be paid on and after MONDAY	By Order of the Board of Directors,	first place in such manner and at such times	METAL A DIED PLOEMENTO	Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. (408)
		Colony and the property of Members of the	NEXT, the 21st February, at the Offices of the	D. GILLIES, Secretary.	as the General Agents shall think fit to the Persons who shall, on the 25th day of		NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
•		Hongkong Jockey Club for at least three	NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED. The 4th Dividend is payable on all Claims on	T 1 AA41 T 1005 Ft01	February, 1887, be the registered holders of	TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "TELAMON,"	NOTICE.
:	SPECIAL CAUTION.	months prior to date of Entry, and not otherwise entered at this Meeting. Weight 11st. 71bs.	which previous Dividends have been paid.	HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING	the old, or present, Shares in the proportion following, that is to say, two New Shares	TOTAL TRANSPORT	· —— '
	THE BEST BRAND OF MANILA CIGARS	Previous Winners 7 lbs. extra.	CREDITORS are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividends and to produce the letter there	de la companya de la	shall be offered to every holder of a complete	CANADARNO Onders and the alternation of the	STEAM TO SHANGHAI. THE Company's Steamship
, -		I Jackey $Club^m$ who have never had a wining.	I had trout the Omeral Didamage, admirestig	OTION IS HOLD BY OR THAT THE OTION	number of three of the said old, or present	Undersigned not later than the 23rd inst.	<u> </u>
	PHE CHUN HING SHOP has been Established for many years in the Back	mount in Hongkong and Chive.	their Chains, in order that the layment of the	SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will	the time limited for that purpose by the	for shipment per steamer "HECTOR."	"BRAUNSCHWEIG," Captain Störmer, will leave for the above
	Street, at the Head of the Large Bridge	Ones Doring Patrice to slove to the Crape On	H. A. HERBERT,	be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SA-	General Agents, and that any new share or	Hangkong 21st February 1887. 1347	place about 24 hours after arrival with the
•	Manila. By selecting the very best quality of Leaf, and by the greatest care and skill in the	and the contract of the contra	Attorney for the Umolai Liquidator,	TURDAY, the 26th day of February Current,	'	and the same of th	outward German Mail. For further Particulars, apply to
	Manufacture of Cigars, thinghop has succeeded	TOPANT	2, Queen's Road,	at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		MELCHERS & Co.,
	in producing an article which is unexcelled for its aroms and smoking qualities and for its free-	Acting Clerk of the Course.	19th February, 1887: [405]	together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st	manner aforesaid by reason of their being	CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TELAMON,"	Agents.
	don' from all adultorations and impurities.	Houghoug, toen replayed, 1004.	NAVAL CONTRACTS, 1887-88.	By Order of the Court of Directors,	The second of th	- Late hetelly lightion man pub yatky to being mo-	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Accordingly, the Government has granted the Shop the Government Stamper Manila, and as a	HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.	EALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be	JOHN WALTER.	I ald as success charge shall be dispered of	charged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it	1 **VIVIVIO LOCILLIE DECTI.
	further protection each but is marked with		1		I seed allowful his the Company Assures and	i win ne at Consignees risk. The Carro will be	NOTICE.
$(\chi, w) = 1$	THREE Bs.	23rd, 24th and 25th February 1887.	on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd I commo, from	TOTOTOTO & OTTANCHAL DANKING	Consulting Committee at such times, to such Persons, upon such terms, and in such	Treatly for delivery from Grant or Gonown on	MOTIOE.
·	As these Cigars have earged a wide reputa- tion for excellence lately some unprincipled	DULE 15.—Admission to the Grand	Persons desirous of SUPPLYIN the Under- mentioned Articles for the use of H. M. NAVY	1	manner and way in every request 881hAV	- Coods undervered after the mount insumit,	STEAM FOR
·	Persons have counterfeited the mark: therefore	STAND and ENCLOSURE for Members of	for the year 1887-88.	NYOTICE is hereby given that the REGIS-	shall in their discretion think best in the in-	will be subject to Rent. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE,
• .	the Partners of the CHUN HING SHOP respect-	the Jockey Club, Free; for Non-Members \$5 for the Meeting. For Admission to the New Stand	BISCUIT. RAISINS, SOFT BREAD. RICE.	TERSOF SHARES of the Corporation	The All The Total Take Non 700		BRINDISI, ANTWERP.
	Covers of the Boxes and the wrappers within.	\$1 per diem.	FLOUR, SUGAR,	will be closed from the 12th to the 26th day of February Current (both days inclusive), during	and 780, Victoria, Hongkong, at the agreed	STEAMSHIP "OXUS"	DREMEN, AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA
	COCACO, CHUN HING SHOP,	BULE 16 TICKETS of ADMISSION to the	FRESH BEEF, TEA,	which period no transfer of Shares can be re-	price of \$60,000 be now formally confirmed and these lands transferred into the Com-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	AND BALTIC PORTS;
	Care of Band Breng Hong,	Grand Stand and Enclosure to be had on appli- cation to H. A. HERBERT, Esq., Honorary	FRESH POTATOES, FRESHWATER	gistered. By Order of the Court of Directors	pany's name.	MARITIMES.	LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL-
-	No. 16, Benham Strand West	Treasurer, and at the Gate on Race Days. No	FRESH MILK.	JOHN WALTER,	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.	NOTICE.	TIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
	Hongkong. 8th February, 1887.	one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the GATE-REEPER.	Printed Forms of Tenders and further parti- culars can be obtained at the NAVAL STORE-	TEASSON THE TOTAL PARTY	CHINA SUGAR REPINING COMPANY,	ONSIGNEES of Cargo from London,	GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
\		J. GRANT,	keuper's Oppice.	TOWNS TO THE TANK OF THE PARTY	Limited.	Antwerp, Havre, and Bordeaux, Ex S. S.	PORTS.
	NOTICE.	Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. [381]	The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.		Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. 1406	"MEDOC," and "FREDERIC MOREL,"	THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
	Have Thre Day established myself as		W. H. LOBB,	A T a PRELIMINARY MEETING held on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, to consider	MAIL TABLES. MAIL TABLES. 1887 1887	in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with	SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS, AND LUGGAGE.
	AGENT, under the Style or Firm of		Navaland Victualling Storekeeper. H. M. Viotualling Yard,	what steps should be taken to celebrate HER		the exception of Opium, Treasure, and	
	JRD. NAUDIN.	THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of	Handrana 91st Vahusana 1827 (409	Majnery's JUBILEE it was unanimously resolved that a PUBLIC MEETING should	MAIL TABLES.	Valuables, are being lauded and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns,	N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
	Hongkong, 1st February, 1887. 265	STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on	THE SHANGHAI DOCK COMPANY.	be convened for WEDNESDAY, the 2nd	TOW READY	whence delivery may be obtained immediately	PLACES IN RUBBIA.
• ,	NOTICE	the 23rd, 24th and 25th instant.		Proxime, at 4.30 P.M., and that the Hon. THE	MAIL TABLES	after landing. Ontional Cargo will be forwarded on unless	N MONDAY, the 21st day of March
	and the state of t	By Order,	FINDERS are invited for a lease of the	Auter a action enough no seven to blesses.	ZOR	The bearing of the bar was an entire of the millions	1007 - Noon A. Orman I of

By Order,

Possession or Later.

Address.

Company's Dock in Hongkew known as

of Messrs. S. C. FARNHAM & Co. for a term of

from the 1st of July next.

highest or any tender.

Shanghai, 1st February, 1887.

not less then three and not exceeding ten years

Persons tendering should state the nature

of the rent and the due performance of the

conditions of the lease and should send in their

tenders not later than the 31st of March next,

to Messrs. Mybungh & Dowdall, the Secre-

turies of the Campany, No. 21, Foodhow Road,

where further Particulars can be obtained.

the Old Dock and at present in the occupation attend.

All Members of the Community are invited to

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A. K. TRAVERS.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1887.

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HONGKONG, FEBRUARY, 1887.

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THE Company's Steamship

"TELAMON," Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 22nd inst;, at Four P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to HENRI... Marquis de Corneville... Mr. A. RIGHY BAILIFF OF CORNEVILLE... Mr. FRANK D'ESTE BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

· Hongkong, 21st February, 1887. NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

HE Company's Steamship SUZANNE J Gossips J Miss ALICE EMMETT for Article No. 111, namely:—111.—The WHE Undersigned has received instructions | Christo........ Master Magnus Salinger | "MENZALEH," Captain Beneis, will be despatched for KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.

TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst, at DAYLIGHT. G. DE MAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

By kind permission of Colonel Anderson NOTICE TACKLE and APPAREL as sho then and Oppreens, the Band of the Northampton. shire Regiment will play during the interval. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES PRICES OF ADMISSION:-MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS Military and Sailors in uniform Half Price to FETHE Company's Steamship To avoid disappointment secure your seats early. Captain Lequerre, will be despatched for SHANGHAI.

N MONDAY, the 21st day of March 1887, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "BRAUNSCHWEIG," Captain Störmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P. v., on the 20th of March, 1887. (Parcels are not to be sent on Board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required. The Steamer has aplended Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For Further Particulars, apply to

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Agent.

the 2nd March, (WEDNESDAY), or they will

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BIRTHS. At Yokohama, on the 4th February, the wife of H. TALBOT, of a daughter. At Yokohama, on the 5th February, Mrs. F. GROS-REE, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On the 4th January, at St. Mark's, Upper Hamilton.terrace, N.W., by the Rev. Canon Duckworth, D.D., Vicer, HARRY STANHOPE, third son of Samuel Rawson, late of Hougkong, to Isaber Ada, only daughter of the late J. Capel Hanbury, and stendaughter of Frederick J. Roberts, of the Middle Temple. Barrister-at-law. At the Cathedral, Shanghai, on the 14th February by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., MAXWELL JAMES SANDERS to JESSIE FLLEN, eldest daughter of the late Frederick John Nash, of London.

DEATHS. On the 5th January, at Bruges, ADELINE HOTTLES-TON, widow of John McDonall, late Manager of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong. At 9-A. Tsukiji, Tokyo, on the 6th February, HAR-OLD, the infant son of Roy. W. J. White. On the 7th February, at No. 56, Bluff, Yokohama, Mr. PETER STINGELIN, of Basic, Switzerland, aged At No. 223 D. Bluff, Yokohama, on the morning the 10th February, FRANCIS PROWER, aged 33 years CORY, beloved wife of Roy. Theodore M. MacNai

aged twenty-sight years.

HONGRONG, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1887.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at 9.25 yesterday morning.

A Havas telegram received at Saigon annonness the death of M. Raoul Daval.

M. Lanessan arrived at Saigon by the Mes-Bageries Maritimes steamer Ozus on a colonial

The following is the return of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending 20th February: -Europeans 233; Chinese, 2,819. The French gunboat Parseval, Captain Foret, arrived in Singapore on the 11th inst. from Pon-

dichery, and was to leave for Hongkong after The Mercury says that a telegram was received

in Shanghai on the 17th inst. saying that Taka is free of ice, and the Peiho will be navigable in a week's time.

Rear-Admiral Layrle arrived here by the Messageries Maritimes steamer Oxys yesterday to take over the command of the French squadron in these waters.

Viscount Shinagawa, late Japanese Minister to France, and the Viscountess Shinagawa arrived from Europe by the Messageries Maritimes steamer Oxus vesterday, en route to Japan.

The Agents (Messrs, Melchers & Co.) inform ms that the Norddeutscher Lloyd's stramer Braunschweig, with the next German mail, from Berlin, left Singapore on Saturday for this

The Bangkok Times is glad to hear that Mu J. M. Fidelis da Costa (Hlung Rajayssädhak) Chief Inspector of Customs, has been honoured by His Majesty the King of Siam with the order of an officer of the Crown of Siam.

We would remind our readers of the Choral Festival to be held at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, commencing at 5.15 p.m., when the members of the Choral Society and the Choir will sing Gaul's cantata "The Holy City."

talked about for some time past, was killed the likewise going to Yokohama. To Shanghai a other day near the telegraph station at Cape St. I locomotive is being shipped from Glasgow, and James. His last victim, says the Inda Chinaise, to Bangkok some £2,0 0 of sundry machinery. was an ox belonging to M. Arduzer, the Messageries Maritimes pilot.

The Indo-Chinoiss of the 12th instant save it was rumoured at Saigon that Lieut. MacMahon post under the Japanese Government. This is Mulberry, causing attention to be given to its had been murdered in Tenquin. No mention of the first appointment as a result of the mission each an occurrence was made in the Tonquin of General Saige, Japanese Minister of Marine, papers up to the 13th instant, and the rumour | to this country. is therefore probably false.

A telegram in the Australian papers, dated London, 25th January, says :- " Sir George | being granted, and Mr. Stanhope was very dis-Strahan, K.C. M.G., late Governor of Tasmania, inclined for some time to give way. It creates a and Governor-elect of Hongkong in succession | precedent for other Governors to request the to Bir George Bowen, has had the Grand Cross same when on leave, and the inconvenience which of the Order conferred upon him."

A fatal accident occurred on Sunday at No. 61, First-street. A girl five years of age, named injured, and they refused to send it to the Hos- unpaid portion of the First Preference Loan, robbery with violence in a hut in Kennedy Town, sibly have been able to see what was done in that cutting into her starboard boiler. The steamer proved body was not identified, and there was no evid. approved appliances in shipbuilding. The Hoard neighbour, who came out to his assistance on the banana trees being broken, but he cannot any one on board of her.

And the said William Venn Drummond prays the said william Venn Drummond prays the said william Venn Drummond prays the returned a verdict of found drowned.

bénéficiaire a bumper house.

We have failed to notice any new feature, except a few particulars regarding the Imperial Family, guns of 2 lom., and two more of 15cm., and seven but the book is as nevel remarkable well contained and during the first six months of his imprison.

The sentence of the court was that the gold on the peak of my cap. He certainly ought to have seen that if he could see me properly.

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The worsel also is provided and during the first six months of his imprison. but the book is, as usual, remarkably well got up. Hotchkiss guns. The vessel also is provided and during the first six months of his imprison-

The Bangkok Times learns that about 68 1,000 Orientals, claiming British protection, came to pay their two Ticals. Probably, our contemporary says, a majority of the Chinese will transfer their naturalisation papers later on, and sell them at a premium.

date for the throne of Hulgaria, has been in the justify the supposition that no encroschments boy had known him for some time, and had had The constable, re-called, said-I did not see

neral, seeing that the selary of the Colonial Se- Hongkong. Her principal dimensions are:-cretary of Natal is £1,000, whilst that of his new | Length over afl. 284.6 feet; breadth, 35 feet; for exchange. The salary of the Attorney-General of Caylon is Rs. 18,000; but now that Sir John Pope Hennessy is suspended from office; Mr. Fleming will not have gone from the frying pan into the fire.

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means give unqualified satisfaction. To give Diron, daughter of her builder. them a thorough testing, the rails were laid on supports three feet apart, and a monkey weighing half a ton was allowed to fall on them with a drop of twenty feet. We are informed that 25 per cent. of the rails made by one of the leading German makers enapped asunder like glass. whilst others that had been rolled by Messra. Cammell stood the test admirably. All the rails were of the ordinary flat bottom or bridge type, weighing 62 lbs. to the yard.

The Sau Francisco Chronicle says that Com- European plane-irons or chisels, in many inmander James D. Graham arrived in that city stances were down a third of their original on the 12th ult. from Washington with instruc- length. This seems to him to indicate a preference tions to take charge of the man-of-war Alert. for European steel, and that were tools made of The Alert came in from a oruise in the China such steel obtainable at anything like the market seas last July under command of Commander rate for Chinese tools a large trade might be the Charles J. Barolay. She was sent to Mare is consequence, for the carpenter plays a very imland, where she has been undergoing repairs and portant part in Chinese house building. Fine has now received a new fitting and a cost of paint. finish and polish were quit-unnecessary, the only There have also arrived in this city with similar | requirements being durability and cheapness. instructions to report at the Alert for duty. Lientenant C. B. T. Moore, Engineer B. C. Gowing, and Cadet Engineer M. A. Anderson. It is the expectation and hope of the officers that

the Alert will be ordered back to China. tion all over the country, from the capital right | ness of merchants, agents, and planters, in and down to her most remote province. The follow- with British North Borneo, and of acquiring a ing lines, under the direction of H.R.H. the concession of 20,000 acres of land granted by the |22 Minister for Posts and Telegraphs are being Government of that territory, and conveniently actively pushed forward, viz. :- A triplicate one situated in the neighbourhood of Sandakan. It from Bangkok, via the West Coast of the is proposed to carry on trading and planting, Gulf of Siam, to Singora, Keddah, and Province the profits of the company being derived from Wellesley, to be continued from Keddah along the following sources, viz. :- The sale of the tim- ment, residing at "Beryl," Kowloon, was before the Siamese coast line in the Bay of Bengal, to ber, forest and other produce on its estates, and the Court, on remand, on the charge of having Purlis, Rehnwang, and Kra. We understand the cultivation and sale of agricultural produce. wilfully and maliciously damaged certain public that the Indian Government intend to extend Advances to natives or planters for agricultural property, to wit, 41 banana trees on the road from their lines from Tavoy, via Malliwan, to join the purposes, and purchase and sale of the produce. the Tsim Tsa Tsui public wharf to the Kowloon Siamese wire at Kra. Branch lines are also to The business of land agents, acquiring building Clab.

Lord Cross, speaking at Ashton, said: -"There was in parts of China great competition between English and Russian goods. He maintained that English goods ought to be the best and Dunn. cheapest of any going hito foreign markets. If they were to win favour in foreign markets they must send out good articles. The report which reached him was that the Russians were heating them out of particular markets because of the bad class and fraudulent character of the English At Tokyo, on the 11th February. ANNETTE GRE- goods that had been sent. He believed any one sending out fraudulently manufactured goods was committing a crime against the State and a fraudulent action against honest manufacturers. Wherever English goods went he wanted them to be known, not only for their cheapness, but for their excellence. For Heaven's sake let them send out honest goods."- With reference to this I rish people to refuse to pay taxes. speech, the Pall Mall Gazette says:-- "We have made inquiries on the subject, and find that his lordship must have been misinformed. A gentleman connected with a large mercantile house which commands a leading position in the East assures us that the Russian competition is confined to one article-namely, wooll n goods-and that this is a frontier trade which we as a maritime Power cannot touch. The approximation and Industry the following letter, which he had of Russia to China on its north and north-western addressed to the Chambers of Commerce at Mines frontier opens the Chinese market naturally to and Clermont-Ferrand, on the advantages offered the Russian merchant, and in the matter of transit alone we cannot compete. But beyond by the preserving of bananas in Annam: that Russia has enjoyed an advantage in the tariff since the Kuldia dispute was settled. In a similar manner the frontier arrangement be-

tween France and Tonquin gives more favour able frontier duties to France than to traders with the maritime provinces of China." The following items are from the London and

China Express of the 14th January:-The ratifications of the Convention relating to Burmah have not yet been exchanged.

present enhanced price.

We hear that no application has been made for the extension of Sir Fred. A. Weld's term of Governorship of the Straits Settlements. No appointment of a successor has yet been made.

A marriage is arranged between Mr. N. Conor, late of Peking and now of Bulgaria, and Miss liope, daughter of Mr. and Lady Victoria Hope-Scott, and a niece of the Duke of

It is announced from Madrid that General Terrores, Captain-General of the Philippine Islands, is about to be recalled. and that he will be replaced by General Pavia, at present Captain-

General of Madrid. Lieutenant-Commander John Devison has

Hongkong Hospital.

The Lords of the Admiralty have sanctioned the acceptance by Captain J. Inglis, of the Assistance, for a period of three years, of a naval give agreat impetus to the cultivation of the

There was some opposition at the Colonialoffice to the extended leave of Sin George Bowen would be caused if all were granted will be readily understoc L

The Huard of Managers of the Kingsin Steam-Fung Yut Fun, fell from a staircase which ship Company had a meeting of shareholders on passed up the outside of the house at the back. | the 8th last Mr. F. G. Smidt presided, and 787 The parents, not being able to find that any shareholders were represent. The meeting pital. The child died the same evening, having | and to discuss the best means for acquiring some | was brought up to receive sentence. been injured internally. Mr. Wodehouse, the new steamers, several of the existing vessels, His Lordship said the prisoner did not ap- the damage was done by us because he found it Coroner, held an inquest on the body at the such as the Atalanta, Bellona, and Olympia, beMortnery vesterder references. The such as the Atalanta, Bellona, and Olympia, bepear to have actually inflicted any injury himself, there after us. I am prepared to swear that I bear to have actually inflicted any injury himself, there after us. I am prepared to swear that I bear to have actually inflicted any injury himself, there after us. I am prepared to swear that I bear to have actually inflicted any injury himself. Mortuary yesterday afternoon, when a verdict of ing of unsuitable proportions for the require- upon the complainant, but there was no doubt never damaged any of the trees, and never touch- to be between 70 and 80. accidental death was returned. An inquest was ments of the East Indian trade. It is intended, he had held him down while the other two rob- ed them more than to brush one aside which 6.—The said collision and the damages and losses also held on the body of a female Chinese infant forthwith to have two new steamers built of bed him. His Lordship spoke in terms of com- was hanging in my way. The constable says consequent thereon are attributable to the negligence and detailed and there was no evid: approved appliances in abjunction. The Board in minutes before on the banana trees being broken, but he cannot bedy was not identified, and there was no evid: approved appliances in abjunction of the Board in minutes being broken, but he cannot bedy was not identified, and there was no evid: approved appliances in abjunction of the Board in minutes being broken, but he cannot be approved appliances in abjunction of the Board in minutes being broken, but he cannot be approved appliances in abjunction of the constable says demands to the Board in my may. The constable says demands to the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the German Reserves to practice with the research of the constable says demands to the constable says de body was not identified, and there was no evid- approved appliances in shipbuilding. The Board neighbour, who came out to his assistance on the banana trees being broken, but he cannot ital of m.1,750,000, which was readily granted. phased and caught the prisoner without knowing the way through, and they would not make any Honourable Chief Justice of this Court to pronounce

with four tubes for firing torpedoes.

We understand that the terms for the rendi- Chan Achan, convicted of larceny, wounding Orders may be sent to Daily Press Office, whore the Legation during last month, and more than of Korea) include more than those we gave in grievous bodily harm, and endoavouring to choke nesses? our recent announcement of the fact that it had the boy, in a house in Jardine's Baznar, was next been decided to terminate the temperary occupa- put in the dock. He denied his guilt, and altion under which it has been held. China has leged that the charge was only brought against you at the time. been enabled to give us guarantees not only that him through spite. no other foreign flag shall be hoisted on the His fordship said there was no doubt the boy son for not doing so. I should like to say what The Straits Times of the 10th inst. says:— islands, but that she had such emphatic assurances had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. The Nepaul had all had been seriously wounded, and it was not likely that reason is. I am informed that if I did so weather was overcast and hazy. Mingrelia, whom Russia put forward as a candidesigns on any portion whatever of Korea, as to attacked him if such were not the case. The in the case.

common use by Chinese carpenters have been received by the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce for exhibition before the manufacturers and artisans of the town, with a view to stimulate trade with China. The British Consul at Swatow, by whom the goods were forwarded, says he has always noticed in the Chinese carpenter's tool-box at least one, if not more, old

The British Borneo Trading and Planting Company (Limited) is being circulated privately for subscription at the present time. It has a positions. capital of £100,000 in £1 shares. Of these the present issue is £30,005. The company has been Siam will soon possess telegraphic communica- | formed for the purpose of carrying on the busihas been fixed at £3.500 in cash, £1.500 fully paid ordinary shares, and £10,000 in fully paid deferred shares. The concessionaire is Mr. J. J.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."] LONDON, 19th February. AFFAIRS IN IRELAND.

The reports from Ireland indicate daily in-

A letter from Archbishop Croke advises the

M. PAUL BERT ON TONQUIN INDUSTRIES.

M. Paul Bert, late Resident-General of Tonquin forwarded to the Minister of Commerce

HANOI, 22nd September, 1886. Annam produces in abundance the best bananas; i is said that in quality those of Singapore are much engaged in the preserving and sale of bananas for ex-

I think it right to bring this fact to your notice as your town possesses a large number of well known fruit preserving establishments with a large connection. I think that at least one of them might work the banenas of Annam. I would do all in my power to assist in its establishment.

In the same communication M. Paul Bert refor shipment to Indo China is still as strong as quested the attention of the Minister to the ever, but no transactions are entered into at the undermentioned industries which he thought might well be undertaken at present in Ton-

1.-The manufacture of ice by processes ad-

mitting of its sale at a low price. 2.-Hydranlic pressing by a press which could be moved wherever required for the reduction of the bulk of textiles such as rames, cotton, silk,

cocoons, and threads. 3.—The cultivation of silk appears to have a great future before it. Some Lyons merchants, who have been making purchases on a daily inexcellent, and that its inferiority is due solely properly selected. By these means a fine and uniproper rearing, and the result would be to make Tonquin a serious rival to China and Japan on

> SUPREME COURT. 21st February.

the European markets.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS. BEFORE THE HON. SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO CRIEF JUSTICE.

DEFERRED SENTENCES.

opera "Les Cloches de Corneville" this evening King Yuen, has a displacement of 2,300 tons, and were displayed by Chinese. The prisoner had trees could not have been broken before we came and losses to the Registrae for his report and together. at the Theatre Royal, City Hall when Miss is provided with engines indicating 3,400-horse been convicted of a serious offence, and it through, but it is impossible he can say to the plaintiffs such further or other rolled at the Tilly Saroney takes her benefit. We wish the power, which will give the new vessel a speed of was necessary that a severe punishment should that, as he was away on his beat. The nature of the case may require. power, which was give one new vesses a speed of mes accessery that a severe pulled and have been constable said at first that I was in plain lowing:—Length, 82.40m.; beam, 12m.; hold, still more severe had he been one of the men who, clothes, and afterward that he could not say whe-"The Desk Hong List" for Shanghai and 7.77m.; draft of water, 5.10m. The vessel is actually wounded the complainant. The fact ther I was or not. As a matter of fact I was the Northern ports of China, published at the built of steel, of which material also another Chi. that there seemed to be no prior conviction entirely in uniform. My overcost had bright North China Herald Office, has come to hand, ness man-of war is being built by the Vulcan sgainst him would also be taken into considera- brass buttons all down the front, and there was sular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, Owners

> the breech, privately administered. to who broke the trees. His Worship-Do you wish to call any wit-Major Ellis-No, sir.

her on her return, as he is nearly convalescent." even irrespective of its debated strategic value. | was treated was positively brutal. The prisoner from about the middle to the end of the lane. I Secretary of Mauritius instead of Natal, thus steel screw-steamer named the Hailan, which has wards, and came into the room where the prisoner and when I saw the defendant come through. not be very beneficial to our late Attorney-Ge- the Douglas Steamship Company (Limited), of the boy with a chopper in such a murderons No. 1 beat, which takes me about half an hour manner that it was a wonder the boy was not to go round. I can go round in 20 minutes if I about smidship. killed. He had broken the boy's jaw and frac- walk quickly. I was not walking quickly that office is Rs.13,500, about its equivalent, allowing depth moulded, 26.3 feet, and, being for the tured his skull, and the medical evidence was to the night. Sometimes 1 stop and look in places. for exchange. The salary of the Attorney-Ge- China consting trade, she will be fitted with teak effect that his life was in very great danger for By the Court—I should not know the man triple-expansion engines of 1.700 indicated horse appear to have been previously convicted, and not, but I saw them push each other.

> total term of imprisonment would be five years. leave the case with me now, where it stands? His Lordship then remarked to the Acting Attorney General that this case had been brought The constable says that I and my friend pushed the defendants are lable for them, which they day, on forward for trial only a day after it had been com- each other. This is quite untrue. He is not a the grounds herein-before stated, constituted a loss or mitted at the Police Court. In future he thought person I should push, nor would be push me. it would be as well to allow such a case to stand over to the following sessions, unless there were | said he had heard the evidence, and knew the some special circumstances.

The Acting Attorney-General said the reason he brought the case on so soon was that the boy was so seriously injured he feared there might be some accident if he allowed the case to stand over for a month.

His Lordship said in such a case the prisoner death. The Acting Attorney-General said that would be so, but they would lose the advantage of the \$25. boy's evidence except from his Police Court de-

POLICE COURT.

21st February. BEFORE MR H. E. WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.

CHARGE AGAINST MAJOR ELLIS Major Ellis, of the Northamptonshire Regi-

be constructed from Chumpon to Krs, and from land, advances on property, erecting houses, &c. P.C. Mahomed Shan, No. 6 7, recalled, stated Bangkok to Petebabooree and Rathbooree. Korat | From royalties on fibre machines, for which the | that at about three a.m. on the 9th February he is already in connection with Bangkok, via Ka- company have made arrangements with Mr. was on patrol duty at Kowloon. When about bin, and another line is now about to be erected Death for the exclusive rights to use and let on the junction of Robinson road with the Praya running from there in a northerly direction to royalty in the territory his patent fibre extract- he saw the defendant and another man whom Nong-Kye, on the Ma Klang .- Bangkok Times. ing machine. The payment to be made for the he did not know break some trees at the end of concession and the rights over Death's machine the banane palm avenue leading from the wharf They were coming from the direction of the wharf, and he saw them pull down the banava trees as they came along. After this they noticed witness approaching towards them, and they walked fastor and turned into a narrow lane. He followed them up the lane and saw them enter a bungalow, after which he went to the Tsim Tsa Tsui Station and reported the matter. The next morning he went with a European constable to the bungalow he had seen the two men enter, and he recognised the defendant as one of the men who broke the trees. He also examined the road to the wharf with the Sir,-I hope the fear of getting into hot creasing resistance to the law and general European constable, and found that 41 banana water will not deter "Shareholder in Local trees had been broken, some being pulled out | Joint Stock Companies" and others who think from the ground and others being broken in the with him from asserting themselves. We all middle. Witness had no difficulty in recognis. remember how the bull was taken boldly by the ing Major Ellis; he was the man who had been horns some years ago in the case of the Hote walking on the right side of the road. Witness Company, and we know what excellent results saw him at a distance of about 20 yards, it being followed, how the Company's property was im bright moonlight at the time. The defendant proved and the hotel made a credit to the colony. was wearing a long overcest. They both walked A similar course of action in respect to some quickly away as soon as they saw him.

I saw the trees lying across the road, and I will its own members, and does as a matter of fact swear they were not damaged before this. It look on the shareholders as a lot of sheep.—I am, was bright moonlight. You were wearing a hat sir, yours, etc., ke that which you now have (a round felt hat). You had on a long overcost which covered you to the feet, so that I cannot tell whether you were wearing uniform or not, and I did not notice for certain whether it was a uniform cop youwere wearing then or not. When I came back from looking at the trees you were about 100 yards shead of me, and when you entered your gate I was about 20 or 30 yards off. 1 did not see you actually enter your house, and I am not sure whether the man who was not hear you call for your boy.

with you went up the read afterwards. I did The defendant said—I landed at Tsim Tsa Tsui wharf at 2.30 or 3 a.m. from a sampan, and I walked along the lane on either side of which creasing scale, maintain that the Tonquin silk number of trees were damaged, but I did nohas been underestimated, that it might be made thing to them myself further than to push one on one side which was overhanging the road, in to the negligence of the native cultivators, there. When I got to the end of these trees I who take none of the care usually given to saw the figure of a man some distance off, and | William Venn Drumwond, Counsel for the plainvery dark there, and the constable could not possibly have seen us there as far ahead as bend in the constable allows after he want to see the constable allows after he was on a voyage from Keelung in In the House of Commons this evening. Sir the constable allows after he was on a voyage from Keelung in In the House of Commons this evening. Sir the constable allows after he was on a voyage from Keelung in In the House of Commons this evening. Sir the constable allows after he was on a voyage from Keelung in In the House of Commons this evening. Sir the constable allows after he was on a voyage from Keelung in In the House of Commons this evening. Sir the constable allows after he constable allows after he constable allows after the constable allo the constants allege after no went to see the could not have a mind damage to the banana trees he could not have seen us. He says it was a bright moonlight the month of the river Yangtsze. The tide was about seen us. He says it was not so. There was a moon, night, but it was not so. There was a moon, but the sky was cloudy. He says that to the wind and tide. She had two riding lights prowed into my lane he was 20 perly fixed.

3.—At a few minutes past 6 a.m. there was a fog yards distant from me, and he had been the water and a steamer's whistle was heard on the water and a steamer's whistle was heard on the water and a steamer's whistle was heard on the railway extension works had the from the railway extension works had the fixed on the railway extension works had the fixed on the fixed on the railway extension works had the fixed on the railway extension works had that the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis. Correspondence, he that the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis. Correspondence, he that the object of the colonic in March or April next is only to astart the was proceeding relative to our legal status of the the the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis. Correspondence, he that the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis. Correspondence, he that the object of the colonic in March or April next is only to astart the was proceeding relative to our legal status.

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3.—At a few minutes past 6 a.m. there was a fog the delegates upon political matters relating to the colonics, and that it is the mouth of the railway extension works had the the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis.

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Correspondence, he that the object of the Conference to be held in been killed by Duranis. Correspondence, he that the object of the colonic in March or April next is o the constable allege after he went to see the 2.—On the 20th day of January, 1887, at about 6 caw us at the end of the banans lane. To the only. The Wan Nin-ching immediately replied by whistling rapidly several blasts in succession which whistling rapidly several blasts in succession which whistling rapidly several blasts in succession which were continued almost up to the time of the collision is also to be allowed the distance the constable beroinsfer mentioned. Within a few seconds (say 15) which is dead.

The walked before I transport my corner. I walked 60 on 20 seconds after the first plants the first plants and routed approaching me all the time since he first on the water and a steamer's whistle was heard on

ment to receive 25 strokes of the rattan upon mistaken identity? Major Ellis - I say he has made a mistake as time of the occurrences hereinafter mentioned was

His Worship-Not the person who was with

Major Ellis-No sir. I have a very good rea-

General Hospital, Singapore, for some days, will be made on the peninsula. Considering every opportunity of seeing him on the occasion the defendant land at the wharf. I saw both The Prince is a lieutenant on board the Bussian | that such an assurance is gained it is worth our in question. The jury were quite satisfied as to the men pulling the trees down. They had no ly shead or a little on the port bow, and supposing cruiser Djigit, but had to go into hospital on his while to perform a friendly act to China by the prisoner's identification after hearing the sticks or anything, but they pulled the trees vessel going to sea for a cruise; he will rejoin terminating our compation of Port Hamilton, boy's evidence. The way in which the latter down with their hands. The trees are broken had first seized him round the throat in the cook. was in the lane half an hour before these two distely after such order was given and before it could There has been launched from the yard of house and choked him until he fell down un- and I saw no one there beside them. The dam- be carried out a bright light suddenly came into riew F. Fleming has just been appointed Colonial Messra. Raylton Dixon and Co., Middlesbro, a conscious, and when he recovered soon after- age could not have been done between that time nearly shead and as this seemed to indicate a tessel conscious, and when he recovered soon aftersucceeding Mr. Clifford Lloyd. The change will been built to the order of Mr. J. S. Lapraik, for was then breaking open a capboard, he attacked Cross-examined by Major Ellis-My bent is

LONDON.....Mr. W. M. Wills, 151, Cannon St. San France. Mr. L. P. Fisher, 21, Merchants' norted into Japan, and about which so much has the variety of the court on next morning; there were 41 broken; and he saw the trees the power, having college, as anchor improperly blew the vassel's norted into Japan, and about which so much has the value of the court on next morning; there were 41 broken; and he saw the trees the power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. that he was somewhat advanced in years, being power, having cylinders 254 in., 42 in., and 67 in. ported into Japan, and about which so much has Hartlepool. On leaving the ways she was the fourth count was that the prisoner should be forwarded a report to the Superintendent of the steam-whistle. been said by the English Press, do not by any christened the Haitan by Miss Florence L. kept to penal servitude for five years, and to re- Botanical and Afforestation Department. The said collision was wholly caused by the negliceive 25 strokes of the ratter, privately admi- trees were planted on public ground by Mr. gence and improper act of those on board the Wan Niennistered, during the first six months of his imthirteen parcels containing samples of tools in prisonment. On the other counts he would be in the summer time. He believed they cost 25 brand the Nepaul and was so far as those on boad the His Worship (to defendant)-Do you wish to

> Major Ellis-Yes, sir; only I wish to say this. locality well. The constable could see the entrance gate to Baryl from where he said he was, and probably somewhat inside it. His Worship-Defendant, I have been most auxious to get at the truth of this case, and possible to exonerate you from this charge if I could do so consistently with justice. I find, would have been charged with causing the boy's however, that upon the evidence this is impossible, and I can come to no other conclusion than that you have done this, and I fine you

> > BREACH OF GAOL REGULATIONS. having committed a breach of the regulations of only subject to the general provisions of mari-Victoria Gael. On the 19th the defendant asked a turnkey to to the regulations, the other that the buden of be allowed to give some opium pills to her hus. proof rested upon the defendants. band then a prisoner in the institution. She was told this could not be done. She than seked | ching, Mr. J. Low, chief officer, and the second to be allowed to give him a cost, and handed one mate and second engineer gave evidence, and in. This was searched, and in it were found the court at its rising adjourned until the folsome opium pills. The defendant, who said she did not know she

was doing wrong, was fined \$1. OPIUM CABE. Ng A Ng, coolie, was fined \$10 for possession of prepared opium without a permit from the Opium Farmer, and in default he was sent to gaol for 11 days.

Mens and Carpier, seamen of the French frigate Turenze, were charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct, and assault upon two Indian constables: the second was also charged with refusing to pay jinricksha hire. Fined 31 each, and 'arpior 20 cents more for hire to the jinricksha coolie.

CORRESPONDENCE.

do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents.

DIRECTORS AND SHAREHOLDERS OF PUBLIC COMPANIES. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS" other companies would be equally beneficial Cross-examined by the defendant—The nar- There is too much disposition to say "The Dirow lane I refer to leads to the bungalow you | rectors ought to know best," the fact being that entered on that occasion. I did not know you directors are in most cases selected simply by before this night. When you turned into the routine and without any regard to their knowlane I was near the corner of a large road called ledge or capacity. If one man happens to succeed Robinson-road, about 20 yards distant. When another man in a firm he expects also to succeed you turned into the lane I walked quickly to the to his predecessor's directorships, and his expecbanana trees to see what damage had been done, tations are generally realised, although he may and then I went back and followed you up know next to nothing of the history or present Beryl·lane. You were pulling down trees position of the companies he is elected to direct. for about two minutes; I heard the sound The appointments are always made on the At Singapore there are a large number of houses of the trees breaking for about that recommendation of the other directors, and time. Before I saw you I was not walking the element of spontaneous choice on the quickly, but as soon as I saw you I did walk part of the shareholders is entirely absent. quickly, and I went quickly after you turned The directorate of our joint stock companies is a into Beryl-lane in order to overtake you there. kind of close corporation which virtually elects

> INVESTOR. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

THE COLLISION BETWEEN THE "NEPAUL" AND THE "WAN NIEN-CHING.

The hearing of the suit in Admiralty arising out of the collision between the P. & O. steamer Nepaul and the Chinese transport Wan Nienching commenced at H.B.M.'s Supreme Court at Shanghai on the 17th instant, before Sir R. T. Rennie, Chief Justice, and Captain Jackson, of the banana trees are planted. I then saw that a the steamer Paumben, and Captain Ross, of the steamer Beneilder, as Nautical Assessors. Mesars. Drummond and Lathom appeared for the plainmy way. They were all damaged before I got | tiffs, and Mr. Wainewright for the defendants. The pleadings were as follows:-

been appointed to the command of the Firebrand.
The appointment is also announced of DeputyInspector General Edward T. Mortimer, to

Silk not only must the rearing house be well

The appointment is also announced of Deputy
Silk not only must the rearing house be well

The distance of a man some distance of the figure of a man some distance of damage instituted on behalf of his for the Ruby Mines in Burmah up that the work in France. To produce a good when I turned into the lane to my house I saw it tiffs, in a cause of damage instituted on behalf of his for the Ruby Mines in Burmah up that the work in France. To produce a good was a Sikh constable, who was then about owner of the steam-vessel Wan Nien-ching, and on behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master, orew, and passengers and the behalf of her master. behalf of her master, erew, and passengers and the Hongkong Hospital.

Amongst recent shipments to Japan we notice food should be suitable to the diverse phases lane is 60 yards. I never hurried at all, the British steamer Nepaul, her tackle, apparel, and owners of cargo laden on board the said ship, against some 5,000 lbs of dynamite and detonators to the through which the worm passes in its existence, and I did not enter my gate at once, as the con-A magnificent tiger, which had made himself value of £1.300. Several Nordenfelt guns are alked about for some time past, was killed the likewise going to Yokohama. To Shanghai a friend and smoking a cigarette for at least hive in. The Wan Nien-ching was a screw steamer and braves in the friendly set ring with the other Agents-General of the color minutes before I went in. My friend then went was at the time of the collision hereinafter mentioned by the result in the statements made by form silk might be obtained in place of a coarse on up the read. There is a very high bank on and almost wild silk. These gentlemen add that eight crops a year could be raised, which would trees everhang the road, so that at night it is seventeen or thereabouts all told, and from 25) to 300

The read. There is a very high bank on manned by a crow of forty three hands all told, and tilement would be the result. These gentlemen add that trees everhang the road, so that at night it is seventeen or thereabouts all told, and from 25) to 300

THE KHAN OF HALA

walked before I turned my corner. I walked 60 or 20 seconds) after the first whistle the top masta yards, and if he walked about the same distance and mesthood light of a large steamer were seen apthat would place him 140 yards from the end of the banana tree pathway at the time I turned the came on at considerable speed and struck the The Afuk, who was convicted on Friday of out of it. At that distance off he could not pos- starboard side of the Wan Nien-ching about amidships light, and I think he must have assumed that to be the Nepaul. 4.—The Wan Nien-ching sank shortly after the said

5.—The number of passengers drowned is believed

The ironeled corvette which was launched at at the time whether he was armed or not. It noise in breaking more than could be heard 20 for the damages and losses proceeded for and to con- moning of the Delogations to provide Company will reproduce Planquette's comic Stettin last week on Chinese account, the was not often such instances of courage yards or so away. The constable also says the Stettin last week on Chinese account, the was not often such instances of courage yards or so away. The prisoner had been broken before we came of the constable also says the Stettin last week on Chinese account, the was not often such instances of courage yards or so away. The constable also says the Stettin last week on Chinese account, the was not often such instances of courage yards or so away. The prisoner had been broken before we came of the constable also says the steel to refer to the amount of the said damages. The prisoner had been broken before we came of the constable also says the steel to refer to the amount of the said damages. The prisoner had been broken before we came.

W. V. DRUMMOND Counsel for the Plaintille.

Robert Ernest Wainswright, Counsel for the Peninmanned by a crew of 143 hands all told, laden with a an interview with Prince Bismarck, in the course cargo of general merchandise and on a voyage from

and making between six or seven knots an hour. The flood with a force of about half a knot an hou the be partly attributed to the gravity of the poli-3.—Under these circumstances those on hoard the Nepaul heard the sharp blast of a steam-whistlerearapproaching and directing her course to starboard the engines of the Nepaul were put full speed astem and the order given to put the helm hard a nort but immoerossing to starboard the helm of the Nepaul ass or-dered hard-a-starboard. Very shortly afterwards the stem of the Nepaul struck the starboard side of ivessel which proved to be the steamer Wan Niesching 4.—Those on board the Wan Nien-ching improperly neglected to keep a proper or sufficient look-out

6. -Those on board the Wan Nien-ching improperty neglected to exhibit lights or exhibited them in an

9 .- Jave as aforesaid the defendants dony all and each of the allegations contained in the Petition. 1) .- And by way of counter-claim the dof n links sa that the matters complained of, if any such occurred, and Inspector Cradock, in answer to his Worship, steamship Nepaul-then-being-a-British-registerd-thin, caused to another ship that is to say, the said slamship Wan Nien-ching, and the defendants say that the same occurred without the actual fault or neivity of the defendants, and that the gross tourage of the said stamship

Nepaul without any deduction on account of englis room amounts to three thousand five hundred and thrty-six tons and twelve one hundredths and no more and the defendants plaim that they are not liable in any cont in respect of the premises to an aggregate amount exceeding £3 per ton of the said three thousand five handred and thirty-six tone and twelve one hundred he. R. E. WAINEWRIGHT, Counsel for Defendants. Mr. Drummond then said that in accordance with the practice prevailing at home he would Wong Aho, married woman, was charged with make two observations, one that plaintiffs were time law. China having never given herassent

> Capt. O. Damstrom, master of the Wan Nien lowing day.

> > THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer Oxus, from Marselles 16th January, with the London mail of the lith idem on board, arrived here early yesterday morning: The subjoined telegrams are taken from Ceylon and Indian papers:---

THE CHANCELLOB OF THE EXCHEQUER'S LONDON, Slat January. Mr. Goschen has been invited to contest the election for St. George's, Hanover Square, as Lord Algernon Percy is retiring on account of

ill-health. LONDON, 1st February. Mr. Goschen has agreed to contest the election for St. George's, Hanover Square, Mr. Haysmann, a Radical candidate, will oppose the MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND THE IRISH DENANDS. States. LONDON, 30th Jamary

In the course of a speech at Birmingham, Mr. Chamberlain deprecated submission to the Irish the menacing and blustering remarks attered by demands, but said he was not prepared to sup- speakers in the d hate in the United States port coercion, though willing to strengthen the Senate upon the bill empowering the President ordinary law, and, if possible, to improve the set to take the necessary steps to protect American enrity of landlords without risk to the British | fishermen. taxpayer. He finally urged a reunion of Liberals. and Liberal action in co-operation with all parties. THE MINISTRY AND THE UNIONSTS. LONDON. 1st February

Speech from the Throne continues. Lord Ran- land will support her. dolph Churchill in the course of a speech yesterday stated that the Unionists were at the present moment acting as an useful crutch to the Conservatives, who would very soon be able to walk United States and the Sandwich Islands came alone. He looked to the Conservatives slone to before the Senate to-day, when a clause was uphold the Union. LONDON, 3rd February.

vesterday, said it was the duty of the Liberal doubtful whether the King of the Sandwich Unionists to continue making sacrifice in up. Islands will consent to the transfer. holding the Union. Lord Randolph Churchill's criticisms, he added, in no way altered the relations between Liberal Unionists and Con-

CARRIAGE OF THE AMERICAN MAILS. LONDON, 3rd February. The Government has arranged with the Canard, Inman and White Star Steamship Com- on account of clouds obscuring the horizon. Topanies for the conveyance of the mails to Ame- night, owing to the haze, only a faint streak rica, on condition that the Government can denoting the tail of the comet was visible, but employ the steamers as transports and armed not a sign of the nucleus was to be seen. The cruisers in case of war being declared. New anthorities at the Observatory report that the vessels of these lines are to be built in accordance | tall has moved 4 deg. nearer to the north. with designs approved by the Admiralty. THE HEALTH OF LORD RANDOLPH CHORCHILL. London, 4th February.

Lord Randolph Churchill has started for Algiers, owing to ill-health. BIOTING AT BELFAST. London, 31st January.

Much rioting took place at Belfast on Saturday and Sunday. The mob stoned the police. Shots were exchanged and the police stlast had to charge the populace. Fifty arrests were made. As far a is yet known only one or two were killed, but many were wounded.

THE LEASE OF THE BURMAN RUBY MINES. London, 29th January. Mr. Gorst, in the course of his speech on the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. stated that no lease or concession will be granted for the Ruby Mines in Burmah until the rights of the local headmen have been examined and THE UNITED STATES AND THE JISHERIES

QUESTION.

LONDON, 29th January. Negotiations are proceeding with the United States in connection with the Canadian Fish-THE KHAN OF KALA ABBULLI.

In the House of Commons this evening. Sir brides question. employed on the railway extension works had

ARMY BILL. BERLIN, 2nd February. The Emperor William, in receiving the Pre-

sidents of the Landtag to-day, recalled that a place on March 22nd. former dispute in reference to an increase in the German Army only ended by Germany being drawn into a foreign war. CALLING UP THE GERMAN, RESERVED FOR PRACTICE. London, 30th January.

It is expected that there will be a seedy sum.

THE POWERS AND THE SITUATION.

LONDON, 1st February. Count Kalnoky in Council yesterday stated that more friendly relations existed between Austria and Russia, but that the tension in the relations of France and Germany was growing LONDON, 2nd February.

In the Hungarian Diet M. Tisza has stated that he still hoped for the maintenance of peace. and looked upon the warlike preparations of cortain countries as merely precautionary. LONDON, 3rd February

M. Herbette, the French Ambassador, has had of which he endeavoured to reassure the German Chancellor as to the position and intentions of 2.—Shortly before 6.25 a.m. on the 20th of Jamery, 1887, the Nepaul in charge of a duly licensed piletwas proceeding towards the Tungaha lightship at the mouth of the river Yangters heading north-west jurth THE PANIC ON THE BOURSES. LONDON, 2nd February.

A panic pravails upon the Bourses of Paris. wind was fresh from the west-north-west, the tide was | Vienna and Berlin. The panie is considered to tical situation. LONDON, 3rd February. The Bourses of Paris, Berlin and Vienna have

somewhat recovered from the panic. BERLIN, 3rd February. It is currently reported on the Bourse here, that a German Military Loan of three hundred million marks is impending. LONDON, 4th February.

There was again a panio on the Berlin, Vienna and Paris Bourses yesterday. Consols in London fell three-quarters per cent; and Rentes, in Paris, fell one and three quarters per cent. THE BULGARIAN QUESTION. LONDON, 30th January.

Negotiations are proceeding at Stamboul between the Porte and M. Zankoff. The Envoys of Russia are agreeable to accept the candidacv of Prince George of Lenchtenberg instead of Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia, but Russia and Austria are less solicitous about the Bulgarian question, being fully occupied in watching the movements of France and Germany. RE-OPENING OF THE TRADE OF THE NILE

TALLEY. LONDON, 2nd February.

Sir James Ferguson has made a statement to the effect that Government has consented to the LONDON, 2nd February.

The tribes of Raminla have attacked and routed three Companies of Italians, the loss was heavy upon both sides. Signor Depretis, the President of the Council, has been asked for five millions lire for the purpose of the immediate despatch of reinforcements.

PARIS. 3rd February. The Republique Française states that the Italians lost 430 men, and all their gans in the late attack made on their position at Massowah by Res Alula, who forced their first line of trenches

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. steamer Catterthun, with the Australian mail, arrived here yesterday morning. not make an opening statement. He would only The subjoined telegrams are taken from our Australian files:-

THE PRINCE OF WALES AND IRELAND. LONDON, 25th January. The Prince of Wales will renew his acquaintance with Ireland in April next, when he intends to spend a week in that country. BANK OF ENGLAND RETURNS.

LONDON, 27th January. The Bank of England weekly returns show the proportion of reserva to liabilities to be 47 per cent, being 5 per cent more than last week. The total amount of reserves of notes and bullion is | £12,900,000. ENGLANG AND BELGIUM.

LONDON, 24th January. England's treaty of obligation with Belgium is occasioning some anxiety. TRENCH PROTECTION. LONDON, 23rd January. The Right and Centre in the French Chamber

of Deputies applauded M. Freppel's proposal that the Government should tax-foreign imports into all French colonies. GERMANY AND THE TRANSVAAL. LONDON, 21st January. A large section of the Boers settled in the Transvasl have accepted German protection.

THE FISHERIES DISPUTE. LONDON, 22nd January. The Marquis of Lorne, late Governor-General f Canada, will be requested to negotiate in the fisheries dispute between Canada and the United

WASHINGTON, 26th January. . No excitement has been caused in Canada by

The Canadian press ridicules the United States Senate for its action in passing the bill. LONDON, 27th January. Sir John Macdonald declares that Canada will The debate on the address in reply to the adhere to her legal rights, and he believes Eng.

THE UNITED STATES AND HAWAII. WASHINGTON, 22nd January. The consideration of the treaty between the added, granting the United States an entrance to the Pearl River, in the island of Oahu, as a Lord Hartington, speaking at Nawcastle naval coaling station. It is, however, considered

THE KERMADEC ISLANDS. LONDON, 23rd January. The annexation of the Kermadec Islands to New Zealand has been gazetted. THE NEW COMET.

MELBOUBNE, 23rd January. No view was obtained of the comet last night The comet discovered at Rio de Janeiro on the

18th is said to resemble the splendid comet of

THE FRENCH IN THE PACIFIC. PARIS. 23rd January. The Ministry have withdrawn the amendments introduced by them into the Budget, and have accepted the proposals set forth by the Budget Committee, the threatened Ministerial orisis being thereby averted. In the Chamber of Deputies yesterday a debate took place on colonial affairs. M. Freppel stated that the former mission of the country which was to unite New Caledonia and the New Hebrides has been partially attained, but the occupation the latter must become permanent, as the claims put forward by England and Australia to the New Hebrides were, he said. baseless; but he advised the Government to appease the fears entertained by Australia of the establishment of a convict station in those islands by an absolute promise not to deport criminals thither. M. Froppel counselled the Government to establish a protectorate over the Solomon Islands and the whole of the Society Group. LONDON, 24th January. Sir J. F. Garrick is taking steps for confernies on the subject of the statements made by

M. Freppel in the French Chamber of Deputies on Saturday, in connection with the New Ha-THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE. LONDON, 18th January. It is explained by the Imperial Government

Sir Henry Helland, Secretary of State for the Colories, has proposed that the Imperial Conference should meet on March 17. LONDON, 25th January. It is authoritatively announced that the open-

ing of the Imperial Conference has been fixed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to take LONDON, 28th January. It is announced that the opening of the Colonial Conference has been postponed for a

fortnight beyond the date originally fixed, so as to admit of the presence of representatives from New South Wales and Victoria. The Pacific It has been resolved to call up 72,000 men of Islands Question will be fully disussed by the THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

LONDON, 22nd January. The P. and O. Company have offered to carry

provoments and the acqui-

To value of Pilot Fich as per

last statement

Less amount written off last

lo value of Fame as per last

Less amount written off last

To value of 10 steam launches

To value of steam lighter built

To value of lighter and boats.

as per last statement

six months

statement...

To sundry debtors

six months 11,000,00

during last six months...... 8,339.00

To cost of materials on hand

By Admiralty loan account, 3 instal-

By sundry creditors.

By balance of profit brought

ments £11,760....

forward from last account ...\$ 6,701.43

By profit 159,907,42

To cost of labour, material, and working

expenses at the Co.'s three establish-

To interest

To legal expenses

To office expenses, stationery, telegrams,

and petty cash at head office

To profit......

By towage, nett earnings.....

Hongkong, 19th February, 1887.

To fire insurance......

To Crown rent

LIABILITIES.

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

SHANGHAI AND HONGKEW WHAR

COMPANY.

The annual general meeting of the share-

The following report was submitted:-

The directors in submitting to the shareholders the

only a slight increase to report in the Company's earn-

ings, consequent upon the continued depression of trade, competition in rates, and low storage tariff.

After the payment of an ad interim dividend of Ils.
5 per share on the 28th July last, the profit and less account shows a credit balance of Tle. 10,902.51, from

which sum the directors propose to pay a final divid-

end of Tls. 8.75 per share, and to carry the balance

The directors have to regret the death of Mr. Chas.

Bivington, one of the auditors of the Company. Mr.

The staging and buildings on the Company's pro-

The existing agreement for working the Associate

recommend that a new agreement be made. based on

an equal division of the net profits of the association,

between this Company and Messrs. Jardine, Mathe-

The directors and auditors (with the exception of

The accounts of the various wharves were ap-

pended. The working account of the Old Ning-

po Wharf showed a profit of Tls. 8.596, while in

the profit and loss account there was a payment

of Tls. 27,329 for interest—taxes, insurance, etc.,

bringing up the total on the debit side of this

account to Tis. 28,961, as against the Tis. 8,596

profit on the working account and Tls. 3,506 re-

ceived as rents of foreign and native houses,

the balance of TIs. 16.867 being credited half to

the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company and half to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

The working account of the Shanghai and

Hongkew and Jardine's Associated Wharves

Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co. and Tis.

The profit and less account of the Shanghai

and Hongkew Wharf Co. showed a balance of

Tls. 10,902, after payment of interim dividend

of Tls. 5 per share, the loss of Tls. 8,433 on the

Old Ningpo Wharf, and other expenses. The

BALANCE SHEET, 31TT DECEMBER, 1823.

LEADELITIES.

The CHAIRMAN, in his opening speech before

moving the adoption of the report and accounts

reminded the shareholders that the present agree-

next, and said it would be for them to instruct

their directors as to its continuance or the re-

result had on the whole, he thought, been very

good for the shareholders, for looking back he

found there had been an average dividend of 113

whole time of the agreement. In reply to Mr.

per cent paid to the shareholders during the

Mr. JAQUES said it seemed to him to be a ver

serious matter to involve the shareholders in so

seven or eight thousand taels per year for the

were now in a position to pay only 32 per cent.

The CHAIRMAN said the directors, by virtue of

the power with which they were vested, bought

1:,594 before the shareholders got anything.

tion—the agreement must be adhered to.

3,720.58

Jardine, Matheson & Co.....

Unexpired Premis of Insurance

balance sheet was as follows:---

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank....

Profit and less

Depreciation account

32.172 to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

showed a balance available for division in

The property was valued at Tls. 8-5,146.

Mr. Maclean), offer themselves for re-election.

Andrew Burman was appointed to fill the vacancy.

forward to next year's account.

Bon & Co.

perty are in a satisfactory condition...

DAVID GILLIES, Secretary.

\$33,530,34

ition of now machinery at

Tugs and Launches.

LONDON, 21st January, Decided progress is being made with negotiations for new contracts for the conveyance of

LONDON, 24th January. A conference will be held immediately between Mr. Cecil Raikes, the Postmaster-General, and THE IMPERIAL INSTITUTE

LONDON, 18th January. Sir Samuel has been appointed a member of the building and organising committees in connection with the Imperial Institute. The contributions from the Australian colonies towards the Institute are considered small. The Prince of Wales will probably invite the Government of the r-spective colonies and the Mayors of the capitals in Australia and New Zealand to organise public subscription lists in aid of the funds of the

LONDON, 21st January. Sir Francis Dillon Bell has accepted the invitation of the Prince of Wales to join the committee of the Imperial Institute.

LONDON, 23rd January. In connection with the proposed Imperial Institute sub-committees have been appointed to regulate the finances and nominate the governing body of the Institute. THE PROPOSED NEW PACIFIC CABLE.

LONDON, 19th January The Alert, a discarded composite gunboat. formerly belonging to the British navy, but now owned by the Canadian Government, has been engaged by the Admiralty to make a survey of | and 6 packages sundries. the Pacific from Vancouver Island to the Sandwich Islands, with presumably, a view to selecting the route for the proposed Pacific cable. LONDON, 26th January. A meeting is to be held on February 1st to

nominate directors for the Pacific Cable Co. which has been formed mainly to lay a wire between America and Australia. AUCKLAND, 26th January. As a meeting in Dunedin, last night, th Premier declared that New Zealand must cease

THE ADELAIDE EXHIBITION. LONDON, 22nd January.

Eight hundred and ninety-eight British exhibitors at the Adelaide Exhibition have been allowed 94,000 cubic feet of space inside the building; and nine exhibitors have been allotted 8.000 feet outside. LONDON, 25th January.

Sir Herbert Sandford, British Commissioner to the Adelaide Jubilee Exhibition, is urging exhibitors from England to decorate the British | On New York .-A TRANS-CONTINENTAL RAILWAY FOR AUSTRALIA. ADELAIDE, 26th January.

into the subject of a trans-continental railway. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. LONDON, 18th January. The death is announced of Admiral Pullen, an old naval officer, who was made vice-admiral in

A commission has been appointed to inquire

London, 21st January. Mr. W. H. Smith will, in February, relinquish the leadership of the Conservative party in the House of Commons In reply to the allegations of the Nord Deutsche

for the Exhibition to be held in Paris next year. | North China Insurance Tls. 285 per share. LONDON, 22nd January. The co'ton, woollen, iron and steel trades are: showing signs of improvement. A remarkable Chinese Insurance Company, Limited-\$180 per industrial revival has taken place in America. have suggested that representative teams

LONDON, 23rd January. A British union has been started in Manchester for the purpose of premoting an Impe- China Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$89 rial Zolverein. ion of Count von Moltke to the Reichstag. LONDON, 24th January.

Queen's prize at Wimbledon in the Jubilee year.

The sorip of the Victorian 4 per cent, lean of £3,000,000 lately floated is now quoted at # | Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's a well-known member of the Eurlish Bar. London, 25th January.

the general elections in Canada. Sir Henry Loch, Governor of Victoria, has requested Lord Halsbury, the Lord Chancellor, Douglas Steamship Company, Limited-\$46 to use his influence in urging the European nations to send exhibits to the Melbourne Cantennial Exhibition. LONDON, 26th January.

The Liberals will probably be victorious in

The Marquis of Salisbury has promised to tion will be held in Melbourne next year. ordered to be at their posts early in February. subject of increase in the German army, Prince Bismarck declared that if the Reichstag remained obdurate against granting the demands of the Government, the Emperor William would take | Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company measures to otherwise enferce his will. Mr. Henniker Heaton, M.P., has written to

Mr. Raikes, Postmaster-General, disclosing his Kiugdom aud Australia LONDON, 28th January.
Sir Charles Tupper, the High Commissioner

in London for the Dominion of Canada, has resigned that office, having accepted the position of Minister of Finance in the Canadian Govern- A. S. Watson & Co., Limited-32 per cent

HOW GENERAL GORDON SIVED MY LIFE.

A Free Lance writes in the Pall Mall Gazette: Everyone has read Onida's "Under Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B-6 per cent. Two Flags." I have served nuder five flags in my time—three of them Imperial standards and Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-8 per cent. I two of them those of rabels. I have known as commander or as fee some of those men whom Chinese Imperial Loan, 1886 E-51 per cent. to this day heroes wership, as well as others less celebrated, but who still have carved their names | Chinese Imperial Government 1885 Dollar Loan with their swords on the page of history. Among these are Gordon, Garibaldi, Stuart, the Confederate raider; Belle Boyd, the invincible scout; the Counters de la Torre, the levely Garibaldian leader; Burgevine, the fillbuster; Turr, the Hun arian, and a host of others. Gordon, for instance, saved my life. It happened in this way. I was only a youngster, when, getting tired of the endless routine of barrack life in the -th Dragoon Guards, I went out to China to fight the Taepings, who were then in full revolt. Gen- Manile. 29.67 eral Ward, who commanded the "Disciplined Chiness Field Force," had just "joined the majority," and Burgevine had succeeded him in the command. General Burgevine, a little dark man, who had come out to China as a ship's stoward. but who had been one of Walker's filibusters at Nicaragna, was an able soldier and as brave as a lion. He was swarthy almost to blackness, and wore little gold rings in his ears. I joined his brigade. His men were well armed with American rifles and bayonets, carefully drilled, and had about thirty of us—English and American Manths So of 79 | 63 | waw | 3 | 5 | officers—to lead them. We defeated the Taepings in a continuous series of battles, until our men began grumbling for their arrears of pay, which Fouchow were then something like six months overdue General Burgevine applied to the Foo-tai (or military mandarin governor of the province) for the money. He selemnly declared he had none. Burgevine happened to know that a few days previously the Foo-tai had received a thousand bars of sycee silver, which were then in his polace. Ho ordered us to storm the palace and help ourselves. We did so, with the natural result that the next morning placards were posted all over the place, offering 150,000 tasks of silver for Burgevine's head, dead or alive. We stuck to our commander; and the whole body, 3,000 strong, went over to the Taepings. We were placed in the army commanded by "The Shield" King;" and we defeated the Imperial troops as easily as we had the patriots. All went well until one fine day we heard that the Imperial Government had borrowed from the English 200 officers and non-cous.. who had formed another "Disciplined Force;" and, under the command of one Major Gordon, R.E., were then within three days' march to attack us. They duly arrived, and when we saw the pith helmets of the English officers we refused to draw swords from their sheaths. In the short encagement which followed our men bolted and we thirty white were were Gordon's prisoners. The next morning he paraded us, and, standing in front of the line, said, "Of course, you know! that I shall hang you all; not morely as rebels in arms, but as deserters from the Imperial

of quils to a negatia for an houng sub-life of sternly, lesting on his thin ration, which he al-£100,000, or a ten years' contract for £35,000, wave carried and used in action, instead of his observations to us, when Burgevine, turning his quid of honeydew over in his month, spat signrously close to Gordon's well-polished boot, and said, " D-n it, Gordon, if you're going to hang, mails between England and the Australian hang! but don't give us so much of that G-d d-d jaw !" Gordon looked first at his boot, and seeing that it was still spotless, gazed at Burgevine half a moment with an expression as though he would like to have laid his rattan about his the Agents-General of the Australian colonies in | shoulders. Then, saying calmly, "You shall be reference to the ocean mail service to Australia. | quite satisfied, presently, sir," turned on his heel and marchedoff. Burgavine and one or two of the other Americans, who were perfectly untameable, had been previously tied hand and foot, or it would have gone hard with Gordon at that moment. While we were watching the nimble Chinamen rigging the ropes on trees for our accommodation and stopping every minute to slug out "Fangui!" (red devils) an aide came from Gordon to say that our lives would be spared, but that he should deport us from the country. Burgevine simply expectorated again, and said, Wal! tell him from me he's a good old son! and we marched cheerfully into the calaboose provided for us. Gordon afterwards sent Burgevine and the Americans to New York in a Yankee ship and the English to England. That is the way in which "Gordon saved my life."

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE. Monnay, 21st February.

EXPORT CARGO. Per steamship Lacries, sailed on the 19th February :- For London-228,480 lbs. scented caper, 4,860 lbs. scented orange pekce, 45 packages canes, 6 packages gongs, 5 packages curios,

Quotations are:— This year s New Malwa...\$525 per picul, allco. of sin has escaped so far. 51 to 61 catties. 5 to 61 catties for the Colonies.

Benares (New)8490 per chest. Exchange. On London .--Telegraphic Transfer3,24 Bank Bills on demand.

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight3/24 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight3/34 Credits, at 4 months' sight3,34 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' ON PARIS.-Credits, at 4 months' sight4.19

On Bombay.— Bank, on demand2208 On CALCUTTA. Bank on demand220 On Shanghai.— Bank, at sight713 Private, SO days' sight721 SHARES.

Quotations are:— Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-157 per cent. promium, sellers. Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited-\$85 per share, buyers. Zeitung, the French declare that the timber China Traders' Insurance Company's Shareswhich they are purchasing in Alsace is required | 366 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 110 per The Council of the National Rule Association | On Tai Insurance Company, Limited-Tls. 148 per sharo. throughtout the Empire should compete for the Canton Insurance Office, Limited \$75 per share, ex div.

\$4324 per share, sellers. per share. The German Libertle are opposing the elec- Straits Marine Insurance Company, Limited-Straits Fire Insurance Company, Limited—

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares-

Shares—119 por cent prem. sellers. The death is announced of Serjeant Sleigh Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$79 per cent. prem., sellers. Indo China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares-5 per cent. discount, sellers. China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited

Hongkoog Gas Company's Shares--3125 per Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-\$190 per notify to the European Powers that an Exhibi- China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$140

---30 per cent. discount, nominal.

Commanders of French fortresses have been Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited-358 In addressing the German Landtag upon the Hongkong Ice Company's Shares-\$144 per Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited --3120 per share.

-\$25 per share. Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Company, Limited -- \$141 per share. scheme for a penny postage between the United | Perak Sugar Cultivation Company-Tls. 18 per Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Li-

mited—345 per share.

Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co. Limited—60 per cent. discount. Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited-9 per cent. prem., buyers. Singapore Insurance Company, Limited—\$22 per share. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A-2 per cent

premium, sales. -3 per cent. premium.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. 20th February, 1887, at 4 P.M. \$0,03 50,14 50,21 80,25 30,33 30,13 NIW.

Fores. Neather. 80.11 30.25 The Barometer is steady over Luson but is falling along the coast and gradients for N.E. winds are decreasing. The temperature and the humidity are modernte and cloudy weather prevails. wenther prevails.

W. DOBERCK. Hongkong Observatory, 21st February, 1887. At 4 p.m. 30.23

METLOROLUGICAL REGISTER. Previous On date On date at 10 a.m. at 4 p.m. barometer E.S.E. Direction of wind ... Force of wind Weather 1.—Baronerus reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and to

the lovel of the sen in inches, tenths and hundredths.

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5.—Force of the Wind seconding to Beaufort Beals. d.—State of the Whather: H. blue sky; C. detached slouds: D. drisalingrain; F. fog; G. gloomy; H. hail; L. lightning; C. overcast; P. pessing showers; Q. squally; H. rain; S. snow; T. thunder; V. visibility; W. dew (wet). 7. Rain in inches, touthe and hundredthe. W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 21st February, 1887.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE. (FROM MARRE, PARCORDS & Co.'s REGISTER.) February 2let. Harometer-0 4.4. ______30,190 Barometer-1 F.M. 80,116 Thormometer-Maximum65 Thermumeter-Minimum (over night)

NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 14th February. The report of the recall of the French troops M. D. Graham, (Haileybury). from Algeria is now denied. It is reported that the Vatioan is sending to Peking a convention assuring the complete iberty and security of Catholics in China. It is rumoured that a secret treaty has been Capt. Collinson, (Rugby).

A. B. H. Drew, (Wellington). oncluded between China and Germany.

London, 15th February. The Under Secretary of State for Foreign G. F. H. Potts. (Harrow) Affairs, in raply to a question in the House of N. G. Mitchell Innes, (Repton). Commons, said that Sir H. Drummond Wolff had been engaged in delicate negociations, but that the withdrawal of the mission was not H. F. Hayller-

LONDON, 16th February. Lord Balfour has been appointed Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies.

LONDON, 17th February. A bailiff and two constables have been shot C. P. Pedler at and killed in a town in Clare, and the assas- J. H. S. Lookhart. The Earl of Onslow, and not Lord Balfone, Last year's New Malwa. \$540 per picul, alice, of has been appointed Under Secretary of State that were supplied us by the hon, sec. prior to

London, 18th February.

The House of Commons has voted the Adafter a long debate. The German Ambassador to Turkey has informed the Bulgarian Delegates that in case THE MATCH FOR THE LAWN TENNIS of failure in their negociations a Russian occupation of Bulgaria with the consent of Austria and Germany is imminent.

-Major Sir George Cumine Strahan, R.A., is

CRICKET.

HONGKONG v. SHANGHAI PAST AND PRESENT.

bertson and Dawson got together, both batsmen | to 8. tieating the bowlers slike, though Dawson, who There were some capital rallies in desired effect, Dawson being clean bowled great freedom, covers the ground well, otal of 173. Travers is credited with 4 wickets | players. for 27 runs, Wilson 2 for 64, and Smith 1 for 45. Hongkong commenced withodds rather against them. G. S. Coxon and Travers appeared to face the two left-handers. After compiling 12 the latter's stumps were shot down by the nautic. Scanlan followed, and put together 17, when he ran himself out. 2 for 68. Lloyd and Wilson failed to trouble the scorer to any considerable extent. 4 for 73. Sawyer now came to the resoue: but unfortunately soon

lost Coxon, who had been playing capitally throughout His 33 was put together by good cricket. Darby came next, but long residence in the East appears to have told upon him, for he succumbed after contributing 3. 6 for 83. At this stage it looked any odds on Shangh u. Backers, however, of the Model Settlement were disappointed, for Foss, Sercombe Smith, and Sawyor came to the fore and pulled the match out of the fire by contributing respectively 25, 36, and 47, Sawyer's inni gs as also that of Smith being specially marked. At 172 (one run behind Shaughai's total) Stokes went in and had the honour of making the winning hit—athree to leg. The innings eventually closed for 225, Stokes

carrying his bat for 21. Coxon is credited with 5 wickets for 106 rans. Dawson 2 for 62 and Murray 2 for 29. The fielding on both sides, with a few exceptions, was anything but up to the mark. Amongst the spectators on the ground we

noticed H. E. the Administrator and Mrs. The following is the full score :-

SHANGHAI PAST AND PRESENT.

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	R A. Probat, b Wilson	í
	W. Rouce-Robertson, b Darby	43
	H. Dawson, b Travers	3.
-	A. Veitch, c and b Travers	23
	J. J. Bell-Irving, o Lloyd, b Travers,	. С
	H. W. Dick, c and b Travers	9
	H. W. Dick, c and b Travers J. M. E. Machado, not out Extra	
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Dawson....... 75 Murray...... 80 Baker Digk FOOTBALL.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS V. THE HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB. A match under Rugby Rules between sides

representing the above was played on the Race Course, Hongkong, on Tuesday afternoon, the 15th instant. The weather was all that could Arnold and F. T. P. Foster, Mr. H. W. Davis having be desired, the number of players on the ground resigned. The director, recommend Mesers. Arnold was the largest on record for Hongkong, and Foster for re-election. and there was the biggest attendance of the public that has yet been seen on the ground to witness any match, a number of ladies being among those present. A good game ensued the Public Schools having the advantage of more weight. There were no less than sixteen | To value of Aberdeen Docks | players on either side, and the game was exceedingly interesting. On the Club side were governl men who were novices to the Rugby game, and the consequence was that there was some very wild passing which told against that side behind the To value of Kowloon Docks scrimmages. There were a good many tight scrimmages, the Clab there holding their opponents well, a intrary to expectations, while the backs of the Public Schools exceeded anticipations. The l Club won the toss, and soon carried the ball into To amount expended on extenthe enemy's quarters, but it came back in a series of combined rushes from the forwards. There was an obstinate struggle after this quite close! to the Club goal for some minutes, and in the To amount expended in the end Jackson managed to get the ball and touch down in self defence. Soon after the kick off the ball came back to the Club quarters and owing to a misunderstanding through a wrongly coloured jersey. Brown was allowed to run in for the Schools and get a touch down. The try, for goal, however, failed. Beyond a touch down in solf defence by the Club, nothing more

was done until half time. Ende were then

changed, and the play passed from one end to the

other, until Crawford, who was playing half back

for the Schools, picked up the ball from some To smount expended in impoor passing, and got in with it. Again the kick for goal proved a failure. After the kick off the ball was taken well into the Schools' quarters. but soon came back, and when near the Club goal line Babington smartly got another wild pass from the Club side, and evading the Club back, got in safely between the posts. There ought to have been a goal kicked this time, as the touch down was in excellent position, but the attempt just failed. No further scoring, beyond a touch down by the Club in self defence, took place from then until time was called, though Jackson once nearly got in for the Club. When time was called, the ball was near the centro of the ground and the Club men were get. ting into better form. The game thus ended in a victory for the Public Schools by three tries to nil. The teams were composed as follow:--

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. R. K. Brown, (Glenelmond) back. W. Sabington, (Cheltentam) H. N. Thompson, (Trinity Col., Dublin) C. S. Prichard (Marborough) E. W. Breeks, Capt. (Wellington College). C. E Lawrie, (Eton). G. A. Bramwell, (Mariborough). H. C. Matcalfe, (Cambridge). D. H. Mackintosh, (Glenalmond). H. Broke, (Clifton). THE CLUB. Back.

A. H. Jackson. D. Sannders l. A. Cornish. Backs. F. Jarvie. Forwards. H. G. Smith. P. R. Simmons. F. H. Shepherd. J. D. Anderson. J. C. E Imonds. Lt. Glelg, B.N. J. P. Brewin. The above, with one exception, are the names

the match, but there were some alterations, all of which we were unable to get. Messra. Murphy By transfer fees and Bellairs, R.N., played in place of two of the By bonus and sundries dress in reply to the Speech from the Throne Club team, but who were the absentees we were unable to learn.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final tie in the Match for the Lawn Tennis Championship was played off on Wednesday afternoon, the 16th instant, by E. J. Coron and W. Bruce Robertson on the Cricket Ground, Hongkong, in presence holders of this. Company was held on the 15th of a large concourse of spectators. The February, in the Shanghai Club, Mr. J. J. Kes- ing to be called for the purpose." champions were well matched, but Coxon was wick in the chair. The following were present:-A most enjoyable and well contested match, the most funcied, though Robertson also had Messre. F. H. Bell, A. Macleod, A. C. Westall, between the above teams was played on the many backers. The latter had the advantage (Directors), R. M. Campbell, W. J. Clarke, H. Hongkong Cricket Ground on Saturday, the in the first set, as he occupied the western court, R. Kinnear, P. McG. Grant, E. Halton, F. J. 19th inst., resulting in a victory for Hongkong and Coron had therefore to face the sun. Robert. Marshall, R. Francis, J. Jaques, J. Buchanan, Mr. A. Burman. son won the first set by 6 to 4, but lost H. R. Hearn, John G. Purdon, J. R. Wheelock, Shanghai won the toss and sent in Baker | this advantage on changing sides, Coxon winning | H. J. Such, J. F. Rodewald, A. Schroers, G. J. and Murray. The latter fell a victim al- the second set by 6 to 2. The third set was Morrison, D. Glass, E. Davis, and E. P. Lalcaca. most at once to Wilson. E. J. Coxon was the rather better contested, the games being next to appear, and, as was expected a stand was very close; but it was again secured by made, the total reaching 39 before Baker was Coxon-6 to 3. In the fourth set Robertson annual statement of accounts for the year 1886, have run out for a well played 17. Probet followed, succeeded in getting 5 games to 3, but Coxon but after scoring 7 was clean bowled by then pulled himself together, and by brilliant Wilson 3 for 58. Coxon's was the next play made it 5 all. The vantage game was won wicket to fall, he being caught by Dickson by Robertson, but he failed to follow it up with in the slips. His 31 was put together by the conqueror and deuce and vantage were called hard and clean hitting without giving a time and again, until at length Coron managed chance. The best stand was made when Ro. to win two games running, and won-10 games

has recently arrived from the North, played with course of the game, and much fine play a certain amount of luck. After the century on both sides; but Coxon's return is more was reached, Darby and Travers relieved Wilson severe, his recovery more rapid, and his and Sercombe Smith, and the change had the placing better, though Robertson plays with by Travers for 33 and Robertson following uses both hands with almost equal facility. The soon afterwards yorked by Darby for a capital spectators were treated to as pretty an exhibiinnings of 43. Veitch contributed a most use- tion of good tennis as has been witnessed on the ful 23, and the inuings closed for a formidable Cricket Ground, and heartily applauded the

The following is the complete score:--FIRST TIES. GAMES. A. de O. Scanlan 6-6 A. de C. Scanlan 6-6 2
G. C. C. Master 0-3 0
G. A. Porter 6-6 2
W. H. Wal 139 2-1 0
E. J. Coxon 6-6 2
V. A. C. Hawkins 2-2 0
G. S. Coxon 8-4-6 2
A. E. C. Warren, R.N. 7-6-3 1

SECOND TIES. A, do C, So nlan 6--5--6 2 G. Stewart 4-7-4
E. J. Cozon 6-6
G. A. Porter 3-3 W. Bruce-Robertson 3-8-6 G. S. Coxon 6-6-4 THIRD TIES. Robertson drew a bye. FINAL TIE. E. J. Coxon 4-6-6-10 W. Brnce-Robertson. 5-2-3-8

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. The following is the report of the board of

directors to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the office of the Company No. 14, Praya, Hongkong, on Saturday next, at 11 o'clook a.m.:-TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONGKONG AND

WHAMPON DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. GENTLEMEN.—The directors have now to submitto you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last. The total receipts for the six months are \$354,285.90 and the net profit, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account

and from which have to be deducted-Auditors' fees......

leaving available for appropriation \$162,708.85 The directors recommend that a dividend for the whole time of the agreement. In reply to Mr. half-year of 7 per cent. or \$109,375.00 be paid to the Jaques the CHAIRMAN stated that the purchase shareholders, and a bonus of \$15,000 to contributing of the Ningpo Wharf was made without the of the New Dock, and the balance of \$4,260.12 be car- confirmed by them. ried forward to new account

The business of the company during the period under review has been satisfactory, and the aggregate gross tonnage of vessels built by the company exceeds | large an undertaking without their permission. considerably that of any former half-year. Many im- The amount given for the Ningpo wharf was provements have been made at Kowloon and some new machines added to the plant with a view to economise time and labour as far as possible. The most difficult parts in the construction of the to nearly double the capital. They were now New Dock are now completed, and the directors hope saddled with the Ningpo wharf and had to pay that the works will be sufficiently advanced to admit of its being opened within the course of next year. It is expected that the total cost including interest will amount to about \$750,000, and the directors consider it prudent to make some provision for the ex-cess on the original estimator. DIRECTORS.

Mr. Wm. Keswick having left the colony, the directors invited Mr. J. Bell-Irving to the vacant sent on the board, which expointment has to be confirmed at In accordance with clause 60 of the articles of association, Mosers. C. D. Bottomley and A. McIver what disparaging remarks of Mr. Jaques beretire by rotation, but boung eligible, offer themselves for re-election. AUDITORS. The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Thos.

M. GROTE, Chairman, JULY TO DICEMBER, 1896. CAPITAL ACCOUNT. as per last statement \$193,269.76

· \$150,000.00

as per last statement \$052.021.13 Less amount written of last **\$34**2,021.18 sion of ground, on new work shops and new machinery during last 6 months 51,324,21 598,845,84 construction of the Admir-

. \$522,081,28

Less amount written of last

alty Dock to date

Less 3 instalments of free

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grant received from the Admiralty of £15,000 88,007.55 Cosmopolitan. To value of Cosmopolitan Docks as per last statement \$396,446.17 Less amount written of last 56,000.00 air months..... \$840,446,17

and Mesers, F. H. Bell, A. C. Westell, and A. Portuguese, 54; Indians, &c., 24; and non-re-McLeed, in conjunction with the senior repressidents, 52. The grand total was-Births. sentative of Mossrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. 1,557; deaths, 5,100. The annual death-rate per in Shanghai were elected directors for the current year.

on the Wharf in association with Mesers, ated population at the present time, the death Jardine, Matheson & Co., the matter had been very carefully gone into by Mesers. Westall, McLeod, and himself, and under all the circum- deaths in different hespitals were-Italian Constances they considered the fairest arrangement | vent, 573; Asile de la Sta. Enfance, 822; Tung was share and share alive. He had therefore to Wa Hospital, 1,095. propose that an arrangement be made to carry on the Wharf with Messrs. Jardine, Watheson, & Co. from July 1st, 1837, on the basis of equal division of the carnings. Mr. McLEOD seconded.

Mr. Davis urged that, having regard to what had passed with reference to the Ningpo Wharf. the agreement should be submitted to the shareholders before it was agreed to, or a special meeting be called to consider the resolution. cond Mr. Davis's suggestion. By shareholders for paid up Capital\$1,562,500.0

Mr. WESTALL said it would relieve the directors of a great deal of responsibility if there was of the tea compradore of the firm conspired with a meeting of the shareholders to confirm the another Chinese dealing in opium, and it was agreement. But the directors had been engaged | through his connivance and instrumentality that in drawing up this agreement for some weeks | the drug was claudestinely removed under the and had been trying to get very good terms out of circumstances described in my last lotter from Messrs. Jardine. Matheson & Co., but they were one of the tea and not the opium godowns as I \$2,496,121.69 not quite agreed upon yet. He therefore did not afterwards learnt. Somehow or other—for vathink it would be prudent to submit the agree- rious versions of the detection of the criminals ment while it was in that very crude state, as he are affoat—the authorities in search of the culthought every clause would be picked to pieces: what the directors proposed was quite fair to him and seized the stolen opium deposited in his both sides, and very much more in favour store, from which, however, 36 balls were missing. of the shareholders than the expiring agreement. Last time they had five or six meetings and they | the whole affair and got his accomplice also into 133.00 | never get to the point. Mr. PURDON—I do not understand the tran-

section as it is, and when the directors have do-

finitely concluded the business with Messra, Jar-

dine. Matheson & Co. they could submit it to the shareholders, who I think would like it. The CHAIRMAN-Since Mr. Westall has resumed his seat I have been informed by the directors that they will have great pleasure in could lay their hands upon no better commodity drafting the agreement first and submitting it than the beancakes which were stored there in to the shareholders afterwards. I may say that great number and from which a few were rewill not be here as regards the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, but as representng Messrs. Jardine, Mutheson & Co. (Laughter). The following resolution was then adopted— That the directors be, and are hereby empowered: to draft an agreement for the continuation of the working of the Associated Wharves from the 1st of July, 1887, in conjunction with Messra. Jardine, Matheson & Co., on the basis of an equal division of the net earnings, and to submit the same for | piculs was effected on board the Douglas steamer confirmation by the shareholders of the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co. at a special meet-

The election of auditors was then proceeded with There were five candidates proposed for the two vacancies and a ballet was taken, which resulted in the election of Mr. C. J. Dudgeon and

This concluded the business.

SETTLEMENT OF THE NAGASAKI AFFAIR. Under date of Yokohama, 9th February, a

CHINA AND JAPAN.

correspondent writes as follows:---You will be glad to hear the important news that the difficulty between China and Japan a ising out of the riot at Nagasaki on the 15th August, 1886, between Chinese men-of-war's men and the Japanese Police was settled yesterday at Tokyo. The matter, as you may be aware, was again entrusted to the Chinese Minister to Japan, H. E. Hsü Cheng-tsu, who entered into negotiations with Count Inouye, Japanese Wharves ceases on 30th of June next and the directors | Minister for Foreign Affairs, at Tokyo, and they ultimately submitted the facts to the German Minister, Dr. von Holleben, for arbitration. The settlement now arrived at has, I understand, been made on the basis of the terms proposed by that gentleman. His Excallency Hau received a telegram yesterday from Peking containing the Im perial authorisation to settle the matter, and the agreement was signed shortly afterwards by both parties, and this cause of disagreement between the two Powers is thus happily disposed of.

I have not yet been able to ascertain the terms of the agreement, but I understand that the Japanese Government have consented to pay to China an indomnity of I believe about \$50,000 presumably as componention to the families or relatives of the Chinese killed in the riot and the Chinese Government have agreed to hand back about \$15,000 of this amount, doubtless as solatium to the relatives of the Japanese who fell in the affray. This is all I have been able to gather, but I believe these are the principal terms, and that they are about correct. terms of the agreement of Tis. 26,372 to the

pay all the Hospital expenses of the wounded Chinese. Count Inouyé, it seems, first proposed Minister made some other demands, which eventually were conceded. The latter then telegraphconclude a settlement and did so.

February contains the following announcement :-- With reference to the brawl which socurred on August 15th between Chinese man-of-Shanghai Tis. 585,19228 | war's men and Japanese constables at Nagasaki. the Governments of the two Empires despatched Special Commissioners to that place to investigate the circumstances of the affair. But the 71,700,00 conference of the Commissioners were suspended 200,000,00 on the 16th of November of the same year. 15,889.75 Subsequently, negotiations were carried on between the Japanese Minister of State for Shanghai Tis. 585,19226 Foreign Affairs and the Chinese Minister Plenipotentiary in Tokyo. On the 8th instant both sides came to an agreement that the trial of the persons concerned in the brawl should be. conducted in the regularly constituted courts of ment of association terminates on the 30th June their respective nationalities, according to the laws of each empire, and that on neither side would the Government interfere in any way with verse. During the time of that association, the | these judicial proceedings."

HONGKONG.

they had paid an average of 11; per cent for Flower Show was hold in the Botanio Gardens storm, losing their way and wandering into ten years. He knew of course that it was a very on the 17th and 18th February. It was not up ditches where they were drowned or became exunpleasant thing to see a loss upon any part of to the mark of former years, owing to the unfa- hausted and were frozen to death. Ichang and the company's working property, but he was vourable weather lately experienced. Sir Hunan seem to have been visited with equally sure it would not be a loss for long, and had very little doubt that the Ningpo Wharf would pay Chief Justice, will depart from here in April severe weather.—Mercury Correspondent. next for England on a year's leave. Intelligence Mr. Jaques said it seemed to him that in all has been received, from Yokohama, of the settlesuch cases it would be better if the shareholders | ment of the Nagasaki trouble between China and were brought a little more in contact with the Japan by the conclusion of an agreement signed directors. There had been too much stand off in Tokyo on the 8th-February. Naws has been between them, and he thought it was only fair telegraphed by Reuter of the death of Sir George that the shareholders should know what the Strahan Governor-sleet of Hongkong. amount involved was so that they should be able to talk the matter over. Although the directors Sir George Phillippo, will go home on twelve at an early date. might have been perfectly right in doing what months' leave of absence in April.

they did, he thought the price paid was a very The French ironclad frigute Turence, Captain exorbitant one to give. He thought the divid- Dupuis, flagship of Admiral Rieunier, arrived and he thought also that the shares then reached exchanged salutes with the port. 300 taels while to-day they were only 160. The It is notified in the Gasette that His Exparchase of the Ningpo Wharf was like a cellency the Acting Governor has appointed, mill stone round their necks. He had, however, provisionally, Mr. Robert Minto Jameson, M.A., and flour and distributed it amongst the poor and no doubt that everything would turn out all to be an Assistant Master in the Govern-needy; the balance, about \$1,700, was given to the

right. In the course of his remarks Mr. Jaques | ment Central School. also urged economy, and in reply to the! The return of the births and deaths in the Chairman suggested the General Agents ahould Colony of Hongkong for the year 1886 by the of Their Majesties' visit to the Western Tombs 434,079.73 reduce their charges, as they had taken Tis. Registrar-General was laid on the table of the having been postponed to the second month, Legislative Council on the 18th February. The Li Hung-chang will not leave there for Peking The suggestion that the General Agents return shows that there were 178 births among on the 9th of the last moon, but he comes here should reduce their charges caused some amuse- the British and foreign community and 1,379 and then proceeds to Peking from this place. ment, and the CHAIRMAN said he thought it among the Chinese. There were 193 deaths Our local banks, British German, and French would be very difficult to economiss in that direc- among the British and foreign community, and syndicates, are all busy trying to secure loans at 14.907 among the Chinese, those among the Peking for the Palsce, Yellow River, Board of

The report was then adopted unanimously former being divided—British and foreign, 63; 1,000, according to the census of 1881 was-British and foreign community, 19.87; Chinese. Mr. BELL said that with reference to carrying | 32.56; whole population, 31.79. On the estimrate was-British and foreign, 18.54; Chinese, 28.65; whole population (181,702), 28.07. The

CHINA.

AMOY. FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT. 15th February, 1887.

So the daring robbary committed on the promises of Messrs. Tait & Co. turns out after all Mr. Purpon said he would be willing to se. to be an ingeniously preconcerted plot. From what I could gather from a reliable source it transpires that one of the Chinese in the employ prit got scent of him, and immediately arrested Since his arrest he has made a clean breast of the scrape. Both of them now await their trial. and from what we have seen of Chinese justice and its attendant horrors, we may rest assured that the punishment to be mated out to the delinquents will not be light.

Another robbery seems to have been committed in one of Messas. Boyd & Co.'s godowns a few days ago. This time the necturnal visitors moved. This is supposed to be the work of the lekin runners now out of employ, thanks to the authors of the Additional Article of the Chefoo Convention. These poor creatures have anyhow to keep their body and soul together, and in the absence of any other employment they would not scruple as to the means they resort to to attain this end. A seizure of opium amounting to about two

Fokien on her last trip here from Hongkong. The opium was packed in small leather bags and concealed behind the panels and under the oushion in the saloon. But the vigilance of the preventive officers of the Customs was not to be so easily baffled; for they immediately managed to discover the drug so concealed, and as it belonged to "nobody" after its detection. as always happens in such cases, it went into the undisputed possession of the Customs. That this was the venture of the Chinese boys and other menials on board goes without saying.

SHANGHAI. The Shen-pao says that a traveller from An-

hwei reports that extensive coal mines exist in the mountains of that province, and the cost which has been dug up by the natives there, proves to be fit for the use of steamers. It is expected to be worth while to work these mines with foreign machinery. The Daily News announces that Prince Ch'un

is going to pay a visit to Shanghai among other places, and learns that the Tao'tai has received a despatch from the Empress informing him of this fact, and ordering him to provide suitable accommodation for His Highness. In accordance with these instructions, the Tao tai is putting in order a Yamen near the Arsenal for the secommodation of the Prince, who is expected to arrive during the 3rd Chinese moon. It is reported by the Ha-pas that the expenses of Prince Ch'un's trip will be provided by the Imperial Maritime Customs. A Decree has been published in the Peking Gazette acknowledging the receipt of a report

from the Board of Civil Office with regard to the penalty they find the Censor Ho Ch'ung kuang has rendered himself liable to, for making false representations in his father's interest with regard to a disputed case of water right in Kwangtung. Ho Ch'ung-kuang is sentenced to dismissal from the public service, and if he is required to give evidence or as a party to the suit, the Governor-General at Canton is authorised to send for him in the usual manner. Husug Yut'ang, a Compiler of the Haulin Yuan, who was also implicated, is to be fined nine months' pay. In a second letter dated Yokohama, 11th China Merchants' Company entertained at din-The Daily News says:—"The Directors of the February, the same correspondent adds nor, at the Criterion Hotel, Shanghai, on the that the Japanese Government have engag d to 12th February-Sir Richard Rounie, Consul-General Hughes, General Konnedy, M. Dejara basis of agreement, wherenpon the Chinese on, M. Arranger, Mr. W. V. Drummond, Mr. J din, Dr. Focke, Mr. Kawakami, Mr. Ewen Camer-J. Keswick, Mr. Wm. Lang, Mr. G. H. Wheeler, Mr. F. D. Bush, M. Chapsal, Mr. G. Jamieson, ed to Peking, and in reply got full powers to Mr. H. B. Morse, Mr. J. Henningsen, Mr. H. H. Joseph, Mr. G. Galles, Mr. H. E. Hobson, Mr. The Japanese Oficial Gazette of the 11th Carral, Mr. E. B. Drew, Dr. Hirth, Mr. J. Simpson, Mr. W. Judd, Mr. P. V. Grant, Admiral Ting, Rear Admiral Woo, the Director of the Arsenal, the Generals Commanding the troops at Shanghai and Woosung, Fung, Taotai, Kung, Taotai, Hu, Taotai, the Shanghai Magistrate. the Magistrates of the Mixed Court in the Bri-

> The present has been by far the severest winter we have had in this region for many years.

HANKOW.

tish and French Concessions and several other

Chinese gentlemen. Forty seven in all sat down

to table. Mr. Ma Kien-chong taking the chair and

Mr. Shen the vice-chair.

It commenced snowing here on the 14th of January, and continued daily, more or less, until the 28th, and it is estimated that at least twentyeight inches of snow fell in that time. The roofs of three godowns on the concession have falled in from the heavy weight of snow on them; many of the poorer class of Chinese houses also have come to grief, and but for the precautions taken by their owners many more would have shared The past week has been protty lively. The the same fate. As the smow accumulated it was Alice Memorial Hospital was opened for the re- cleared off. What with the Chinese New Year shareholders; that \$34,073.73 be written off the cost sanction of the shareholders, but was afterwards ception of patients on the 16th February. The and the heavy fall of snow, business of all kinds Legislative Council met on the 18th, when the is quite at a standstill, and provisions of all sorts Arms Bill and Triad Society Bill were consider- have gone up greatly in price, so that the poor ed in Committee. The annual meeting of the people are in great straits, there being little or Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limit inothing in the market. Traffic on all the ed, was held the same afternoon, and after a routes leading to this place is so blocked that nearly dcuble that of the whole concern. It rather long discussion the report and accounts provisions cannot come in. The streets are very seemed to him very extraordinary of the directors were adopted. The Criminal Sessions were held much encumbered, half of their width being on the 18th, when there were only two cases for piled up with anow banked from three to seven trial. A list of printed questions, 105 in foot high. The price of coal has also gone up, number, have been issued by the Land Commis- the supply on shore being nearly exhausted and pleasure of having it. If it were not for that they sion for the consideration of landowners, solicitors, it is next to impossible to land any from the would have had a very respectable dividend of surveyors and others. A match at Football, Public boats. The lakes and shallow creeks have been about 12 per cent. But with that very heavy Schools v. Football Club, was played under Rug- covered over with ice several inches thick. It is expense it was not to be wondered at that they by Rules on the 15th February. On the 16th said that there have been many beats and a large the final tie in the match for the Lawn Tennis amount of goods lost on the river that leads to Championship was played, between Bruce- Teh Ngan-foo; the drift ice coming down upon Robertson and E. J. Coron, and won by the them, and there being no shelter, the fleet was the Old Ningpo Wharf property in order to getrid latter, 3 sets to 1. A Cricket match, Florarkong v. nearly all destroyed and several persons drowned. Shanghai Past and Present, was played on the Reports from the outlying districts say that the opposition. He ventured to differ from the some. 19th when the former won by 52 runs. A very fall of snow has been unusually heavy and give successful amateur concert took piece in the the depth at from three to five Chinese feet cause although they were only paying 31 per Lusitano Club on the night of the 16th, (doubtless, this has been considerably exaggeratcent, they had already paid 5 per cent as an in-ter in dividend, and as he had already remarked, of the orphans in the Italian Convent. The sufortunate way farers being caught in the snow

CHEFOn.

The Mercury says that the Chefco Customs

authorities have blown up the wreck of the German barque Hammonia, which was wrecked some time ago in that harbour, and there are now thirteen feet of water, at ebb-tide over the spot where it was lying. The few portions of the We hear that His Honour the Chief Justice wrock which still remain there will be removed TIENTSIN.

26th January. Since my last I have very little news to report.

From the collection of \$2,000. Tls. 200 were given to the Sisters of Charity, who bought rice poor in the shape of notes of 250 to 500 cash each. From Pao Ting-foo I learn that on account

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THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer Wingsang, with the Indian mail, left Singapore on the 16th, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd instant. THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer Coromandel, with the English mail of 21st ultimo, left Singapore at 8 a.m. on the 18th, and may be expected here on the evening of the 23rd or morning of the 24th THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd's steamer Braunschweig, with the German mail of Berlin 25th January, left Singapore at 5 p.m. on Sunday, the 20th, and may be expected here on or about the 26th instant. This packet brings replies to letters dated Hongkong 21st December.

STEAMERS EXPECTED. The Shire Line steamer Breconshire left Singapore on the 13th, and is now due. The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer Thisbe left Singapore on the morning of the 13th, and The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Hector left Singapore on the 17th, and is due here on the 24th

The China Shippers' M. S. N. Co.'s steam r Ningchow left Singapore on the 18th, and is due here on or about the 24th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The Postal Guide for 1886, revised to date

will be found in the Daily Press Directory, p. 385 large edition, p. 701 small edition. This

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published

A MAIL WILL CLOSE. For Amoy and Shanghui .- Per Telamon, today, the 22nd inst., at 3.30 P.M. For Saigon.-Per Protos, to-day, the 22nd

in t., at 430 P.M. For Shanghai. Per. Ozus, to-day, the 22nd inst., at 500 P.M. For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.-Per Haiphong, to-day, the 22nd inst, at 5.00 P.M. For Yokohama and Kobe,-Per Menzaleh, to-For Shanghai.-Per Canton, to morrow, the

day, the 22nd inst., at 5.80 P.M. 29rd inst, at 10.30 A.M. For Singapore -- Per Olympia, on Saturday the 26th inst., at 1.30 P.M.
For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yekohama.—Per P. Thibet, on Thursday, the Srd March, at 5.00 P.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET. The French Contract Packet Oceanism will be despatched TUESDAY, on the 22nd instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and places beyond, vii Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and The usual hours will be observed in closing

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Defence, &c. All are trying to do it at the lowest rates possible. It is stated that five per cent. is asked for sterling loans, and seven to nine per cont. for silver loans. It is said that Tls. 10,000,000 are wanted, but who will secure the most is a question that no one at present can answer. Many think the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank will secure the largest share, as they have Sir Robert as a friend, and he generally gets his own way in everything, as will be seen by the

that it is almost settled about having a telegraph line from Yunnan via India .- Mercury Correspondent. The Kniping Extension Railway, the Chinese Times hears, has made rapid progress in spite of snow, fog and other obstructions. Only nine miles of the section remain to be finished, and before the end of March it is expected the line | Current Rates. will be brought close to Lu-tai, probably before

Hongkong Opium Syndicate, the Canton Hop-

poship, and goodness knows what olse. I hear

the rails are on the ground, The Chinese Times says: - We have hitherto refrained from mentioning the railway schemes which are always in the air, for fear of giving currency to unfounded rumours or, possibly, of spoiling. by promature publicity, any bond fide plan that might happen to be in incubation. It has been circumstantially reported lately that the promoter of the line from Peking to Chang-chiawan, who was mentioned in our issue of the 11th December, is again in communication with the - Vicercy, having now, it is said, obtained the requisite guarantees for the provision of sufficient native capital, for the construction of the line, which was the only condition imposed on him by

the Vicoroy. None verrons.

PEKING. 25th January. The Notherlands Minister gave a Christmas tree on the 17th to the foreign children of Poking. The youngsters, to the number of over thirty, turned out, and were accompanied by their guardians, foreign or Chinese, and one young lady personated the wife of St. Nicholas capitally. The snow still covers our ground One of the representatives of a German Tientsin firm is, we understand, up here at present, negociating a loan for the Governor of Shantung.

Loans seem now-a-days to be in great favour with the Chinese. The day of railways has not yet come but is apparently not very distant. I he proposed departure of the Belgian Minister in the spring will be a great loss to Peking society, for in a social and literary point of view he occupies a high position. In proportion to the smaliness of diplomatic work, the Ministers of the lesser Legations seem to devote their energies to literary matters and this is particularly true of the two neighbours, Belgium and Holland. The Emperor went to the Tang-sz on the last night of the year, as is the custom, The worship his ancestors.—Daily News Corre-

spon lent. It isstrange (says the Chinese Times) how little we hear of politics in Poking. In London the news of what is passing in Downing Street often comes first from Vienna or Berlin, so in Peking we learn from outside what is transpiring or has transpired within our walls. The Marquis Tseng has been an object of curiosity since he returned and took up his position at the Tsung-li Yamen: but so far he is not known to have made any decided move in any direction of progress. On the contrary, rumour assigns to him a very passive, if not an ultra-conservative THE NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE role, such as will inevitably disappoint the peoples and governments in Europe, who built extensive hopes on the enlightened liberalism of the Maronis. The truth probably is that, in order to accomplish anything at all, the Marquis taint, and completely disarm the censors and

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reactionaries.

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Commandant Servières, who went from Cao-Bang to the relief of the Garrison of Do Sat. is prepared to grant Policies of besinged by pirates, has been successful in his Chinese Lives at current rates. operations. The enemy was put to flight, and crossed the frontier.

Nguyen-Han-Do, the First Minister of Annam and the father-in-law of the King, has paid a visit to Hanoi as Ambassador of the King, conveying the compliments of the latter to M. Bihourd, the Resident-General. The visit is spoken of by the Harphong paper with much satisfaction as evidencing the loyalty of the King to the French.

For other mail news see Supplement.

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GENERAL WERDER, Gor. str., Schuckmann .-Melchers & Co. GLUCKSBURG, Ger. str., Schultz.-Melchers & HATTIE N. BANGS, Amr. bk., Bangs, -- Master. JAPAN, Brit. str., Cardner.-David Sassoon, Sous & Co. PARTHIA, Brit. str., Brough,-Yuen Fat Hong.

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O UEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS on HEST-CLASS GODOWNS at 1 per Cont. Nett pre- TOTICE is hereby given that Mr. LEUNG

NORTON & Co., Agents., Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE, TIMITED. (OF CALCUTTA). THE Undersigned are prepared to GRAN

POLICIES on MARINE RISKS at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, 27th September, 1886. HE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. · A.D. 1720. /[THE Undersigned having been appointed 314] Agents for the above Corporation, are MARINE DEPARTMENT.

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FRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at the following Rates:-On First class European Tenementsat 1% Net per Annua. On First-class Godowns. & Merchandise stored

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Hongkong, 5th August, 1881.

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY. FINE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE AND LIFE at Current Rates. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, 1st April, 1885. THE LATEST ADVANCE IN LIFE INSURANCE.

COMPANY'S 5 YEAR DIVIDEND POLICY TINHIS Policy secures to the insured the option 2 ROTARY WASHING. MACHINES A of terminating his Insurance at the end of i must first go through a lengthened process of any 5 Year period, and receiving for his Policy a decolorization, so as to get rid of the foreign | cash surrender value together with his share of accumulated surplus apportioned as a dividend. others who have been engerly watching to catch | If death occur, the full amount of the Policy will him tripping. To be progressive eventually it be paid immediately on proof of death, together is necessary that the Minister becomes known as | with a Mortnary Dividend of 50 per Cent. of all an uncompromising conservative, and it need premiums received during the 5 Year period in which death may hampen. therefore excite no surprise if he should even be Prospectus and full particulars may be had on reported from time to time as siding with the

ipplication to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Acting Agents. Hongkong, 13th January, 1887. THE PACIFIC MUTUAL LIFE INSUR-ANCE COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA. SAN FRANCISCO.

We learn from the Courrier d'Haiphong that THE Undersigned having been appointed FRD. NAUDIN. Hongkong, 1st February, 1887. THE MAN ON INSURANCE COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

CAPITAL (Subscribed), \$1,000.000. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. I DM SIN SANG, Esq. BAN HUP, Esq. | Yow Chong Pring, Esq. Chan Li Chox Esq. | Q. Hoi Chune, Esq. The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its Agencies. Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are

Shareholders or not ---WOO LIN YUEN. Secretary. HEAD OFFICE. No. 2. Queen's Road West. Hongkong, 14th March, 1881.

NOTICE. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED. Is prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at 1 % nett per Annum, and other IN-SURANCES at Current /Rates. AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and the Philippines.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary. Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. NOR!H GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY AT HAMBURG. THE Undersigned. Agents for the above to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction. Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on firstclass risks at current rates. MELCHERS & Co Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. FRANSATLANTICFIREINSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURE. The Undersigned, having been appointed

ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Agents for the above Company, are prepared to

TITHE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates. GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE

INSURANCE COMPANY.

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IN HAMBURG. Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1884. MANNHEIM REINSURANCE COMPANY. J HE Undersigned having been appointed

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Hongkong, January, 1867.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongrong, 18th February, 1887. UNION LINE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship " VICTORIA." Captain Coundon, having arrived from the above | Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. to send in their Hills of Lading to the under- February, 1887. (Parcels are not to be sent signed for countersignature and to take im- on board; they must be left at the Agency's mediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Office.) Contents and value of Packages are Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer required. will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense and no Fire Insurance will

be effected. All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized. ~ RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO'S S.S. "PROMETHEUS," FROM LIVERPOOL. CHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 23rd inst., for shipment per steamer "HECTOR." BÛTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "PROMETHEUS are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will

Goods undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to Rent. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 17th February, 1887. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVI-GATION COMPANY, LIMITED

"BANTAM." having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s West Point Godowns, whence delivery may Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd instant, will be subject to rent.

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Hougkong, 8th February, 1887 DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LIMITED.

"HAIPHONG." GILLOTT'S

> THE Steamship "DEUTEROS," above Port TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst.

FITHE / ompany's Steamship "CHEFOO!

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship "ACHILLES." aptain Anderson, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 19th February, 1887. FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, AND HAM BURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, 16th February, 1887.

Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to Hongkong, 18th February, 1887.

A. Hunt, Commander, will be despatched as BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 21st February, 1887.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. NOTICE.

N TUESDAY, the 22nd February, at MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and THE 3/3 L II Norwegian Bark transit through Marseilles for the principal

Hongkong, 11th February, 1887. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA. AND EUROPE; VIA

g)HE Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at THREE P.M. Connection being made at Yokobama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports. All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to Company's Office until Five P.M. the day pre- Port, and will have quick despatch. vious to sailing.

[840] for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six an allowance of 10 "/ will be made from Return do not apply to through fares from China and Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

Hongkong, 1st February, 1887.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH. CANAL on TUESDAY, the 1st March, at

Captain S. Ashton will be despatched for the for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR S Office, Hongkong.

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THE U.S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF San Francisco, vià Yokohama, on WEDNES-DAY, the 9th March, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines RETURN PASSAGES -- Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at Ban Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year. an allowance of 10 %, will be made from Return Fare. Pre-paid Return Passage Cicers, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and

address in full; value of same is required. destined to Ports beyond San Francisco orrected to a much later hour than that given should be sent to the Company's Offices below. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company.

B. Wilkins, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd proximo. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, 19th February, 1887